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## Reagan announces Haig's resignation

WASHINGTON, June 25 (Agencies) — President Reagan announced Friday that he had accepted the resignation of Secretary of State Alexander Haig. Reagan said George Shultz, treasury secretary in the Nixon administration and a foreign policy adviser in Reagan's 1980 presidential campaign, has agreed to succeed Haig.

Reagan made the announcement to reporters in the White House press room. He refused to answer any questions. There was no immediate word on why Haig resigned.

There have been frequent reports of foreign policy disagreements within the administration. Reagan's announcement was made after he had attended a meeting of his National Security Council.

On behalf of Nixon, Haig arranged wiretaps of government officials and reporters and helped in Nixon's battle to keep various Oval office tapes secret.

Haig had been a controversial member of a Reagan administration almost from the beginning, feuding — publicly and behind-the-scenes — with several other senior officials.

## Computer scandal shocks U.S., Japan

NEW YORK, June 25 (AFP) —

Hirochi-Mitsubishi bid to buy IBM's secrets was set shock waves in the U.S. and Japan. Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki said in Tokyo that he was deeply disturbed over the incident and hoped it would not sour relations with America.

Everyone meanwhile, wants to know what IBM is planning. With its annual turnover \$30,000 million, IBM commands about half the world computer market. Japan's share is 10 to 15 percent.

Japan's interest in IBM stems from a strategy laid down in 1970 i.e., producing computer systems compatible with IBM's. In other words, machines that work with IBM hardware and use American software.

In this way the Japanese hoped to overcome their two basic handicaps: Language problems and research costs. In short, they could leapfrog, using their low production costs to the full in a bid to compete with big brother.

It was the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) which set up what the Americans call "Japan Incorporated", ordering Hitachi to make large compatible computers and Mitsubishi to go for medium compatible systems.

Overall, the target is 30 percent of the world market by 1990, the kind of figure that

brings the Americans out in a cold sweat.

A similar strategy was adopted in the Japanese motor industry which has won success through improving on U.S. technology and keeping factory costs down.

FBI officials say the confidential IBM documents obtained by the two Japanese firms relate to the latest version of the big IBM 3081-K and memory systems.

It has been asserted that this information could be used to speed up adaptation of Japanese machines to suit the IBM system. IBM executives admit that they cannot stop other firms copying them, which is why IBM has no choice but to keep a step or two ahead in design.

In the last few years a huge boost has occurred to the field of compatible computers. These accounted for 12 percent of business within the U.S. last year against two percent in 1977.

Buzzing around IBM is a swarm of "IBM-watchers", companies whose job is to observe the least gesture of the world leader.

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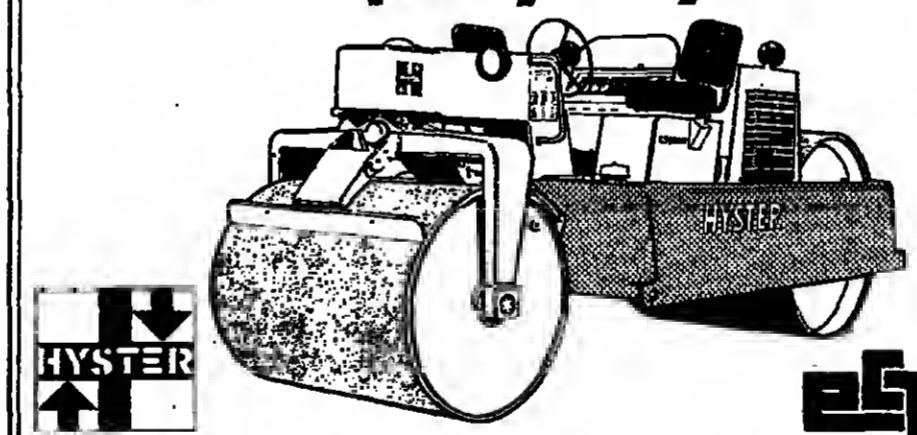
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## Calls Israeli raids blackmail

## Lebanese premier resigns

BEIRUT, June 25 (AP) — Lebanon's Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan resigned Friday, charging Israel's relentless air and sea bombardment of west Beirut was an "escalated blackmail that renders me unable to execute the duties of my office."

Two Druze members of his cabinet said they were also resigning.

Wazzan told reporters he tendered his resignation to President Elias Sarkis at Sarkis' Israeli-ruled palace in suburban Baabda as large sections of west Beirut were burning from incessant air assaults. "It is totally unacceptable to submit to (Israel's) military blackmail... this destruction all around us is impossible," Wazzan said in a voice shaking with rage. His words were broadcast by Lebanon's state and privately-owned radio stations.

As Wazzan spoke, thundering waves of Israeli jets pounded the west Beirut redoubt of the Palestine Liberation Organization in raid-fire bombing sorties apparently intended to accelerate a surrender of the beleaguered PLO leadership.

"We cannot function under this blackmail of military escalation," Wazzan repeated. "Every time we reach some kind of understanding, we run into a new escalation as if



Lebanese Premier Shafik Wazzan

designed to pressure us. Therefore, I have informed President Sarkis that I cannot continue shouldering my responsibility under this blackmail and escalation."

Wazzan declared his unreserved acceptance of French President Francois Mitterrand's initiative that called for Beirut's demilitarization under the supervision of the regular Lebanese army and an international police force.

## As Bhamdoun falls

## Israelis use nerve gas, Syria says

DAMASCUS, June 25 (AP) — The Syrian High Command Friday accused Israel of using nerve gas in major battle in which Israeli forces wrested control of Bhamdoun, on the strategic Beirut-Damascus highway. Israel denied the charges.

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## Arabs to meet

TUNIS, June 25 (R) — Arab foreign ministers will hold a special meeting here next Tuesday night to examine the situation in Lebanon and prepare a summit conference on the question, the Arab League said Friday.

After a tour of Arab countries by League Secretary-General Chadli Khali, most of them agreed to attend the meeting, which is being called at the request of Kuwait, a League spokesman said. The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has agreed to take part but Lebanon has not yet said it will attend, League sources said.

## Sharon sees PLO collapse

TEL AVIV, June 25 (AP) — The Palestine Liberation Organization is on its way to "complete destruction" in Lebanon, and Syria has lost its strategic control of Lebanon, Defense Minister Ariel Sharon said Friday.

Sharon made his declarations in an Israeli radio interview after the days of heavy fighting between Israeli and Syrian forces that cost the lives of 16 Israeli soldiers on Thursday alone, according to the military command.

The defense minister was visiting troops in Lebanon when he spoke in English to the state radio. He was not asked about any plan for a ground attack against the PLO redoubt in west Beirut, which Israeli troops encircle. Sharon called on Israelis to "keep cool and show patience" against possible "political provocation, internal or external... that may threaten our achievement, our military and political achievements."

"The PLO is on its way to complete destruction in Lebanon and in Beirut, if we will not leave them now," Sharon said. The Syrians, he said, had violated the ceasefire in

Lebanon and forced Israel into another battle "which we wanted so much to avoid."

The Syrians concentrated troops east of Beirut, Sharon said. "We had to beat them and we managed to beat them very hard," he said, and Israel took control of the Beirut-Damascus Highway.

"By that, they will not be able any more to open the siege that we put around the PLO in Beirut," Sharon said. He went on: "for the first time since the Syrians came to Lebanon six years ago, they lost their strategic control over Lebanon, and by that the PLO lost its main or may be only ally... the only one who could have saved it."

## Thatcher blasts jeering Laborites

LONDON, June 25 (AP) — Prime Minister Mrs. Margaret Thatcher returned from Washington Thursday and faced a storm in the House of Commons over whether she personally ignored warning signs that Argentina would invade the Falkland Islands.

In a raucous 15 minutes of question time, Mrs. Thatcher blasted back at jeering opposition Labor Party members, saying whatever happened before the April 2 Argentine invasion, "a Labor government would never have fired a shot" to retake the islands. It was during her 24-hour U.S. visit to address a United Nations disarmament session and meet President Ronald Reagan that Mrs. Thatcher's triumph in the 10-week Falklands crisis was tarnished.

A letter she wrote Feb. 3 to a Conservative Party supporter was published for the first time, revealing that Mrs. Thatcher felt a small detachment of 85 Royal Marines was a "sufficient deterrent" against Argentine aggression. When it proved not to be and the Argentines captured the British colony, Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, the most highly-respected member of Mrs. Thatcher's cabinet, resigned because of the government's failure to foresee and avert the invasion. Until now, Mrs. Thatcher has evaded any personal responsibility.

The prime minister came under fire because of her letter to fellow Tory Madge Nichols, and because of remarks by the captain of HMS Endurance, the British patrol vessel stationed in the Falklands.

Capt. Nicholas Barker said in a TV interview Wednesday that "all the signs were there" of an Argentine invasion, he informed London of it but nothing was done.

**As 1981 profits top SR220m**

## SAFCO improvement plans pay off

DAMMAM, June 25 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Fertilizers Company's efforts to improve its production paid off handsomely as its profits made a clear upward trend during 1981. Total profits reached SR220 million, according to SAFCO's annual report. The company produced 342,289 metric tons of urea during the last year.

The report referred to the Council of Ministers' decision this year calling for the transfer of ownership of state shares in SAFCO to the Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC). The government's shares in SAFCO's equity account for 410,000 while private sector subscribers hold some 490,000. The remaining 100,000 shares are owned by SAFCO employees.

SAFCO began urea production in 1970, the company had utilized natural gas by using it as the major raw material in the manufacture of fertilizers. It uses about 40 million cubic feet of natural gas daily, the report said.

SAFCO also contributed to the establishment of similar petrochemical industries in the Kingdom. In addition, it expanded its

programs to train and develop national qualified personnel.

The report states that SAFCO has an ammonia plant with a daily productive capacity of 600 tons, the plant's liquid starch production is used in the manufacture of fertilizers. Another of the company's factories, is the urea plant whose daily production exceeds 1,000 tons. Besides, there is the sulphuric acid plant which produces 300 tons per day. An affiliate unit, extracts raw sulphur at a capacity of 35 tons daily.

SAFCO also has units for electricity, distilled water, cooling water and pressurized air thus achieving self-sufficiency in the requirements for its production operations.

Under an advanced development program, SAFCO has embarked on introducing regular improvements on the major equipment of its factory and raising the standard of efficiency among its workers. It also contributes to the development of agriculture in the Kingdom by providing farmers with technical know-how and proper methods of using fertilizers. Teams of agricultural guides in the company assume this task.

## Ibn Jiliwi to chair KFU function

DAMMAM, June 25 (SPA) — The Eastern Province's King Faisal University will celebrate Saturday the graduation of 108 bachelor degree holders. The functions will be chaired by Eastern Province Governor Prince Abdul Muhsen ibn Jiliwi and attended by Higher Education Minister Hassan ibn Abdullah Al-Sheikh.

The graduates include students from the faculties of architecture and planning,

agricultural sciences and foods and veterinary medicine and animal husbandry. The ceremony will be held at KFU's premises on the Dammam Al-Khorab coastal road.

The university also celebrates Sunday the graduation of the first group of female students from the domestic economy department of the agricultural sciences and foods faculty. The students, 17 of them, will obtain bachelor's degrees.

## Prayer Times

Saturday	Makkah	Madinah	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tahluk
Fajr (Dawn)	4:15	4:10	3:41	3:24	3:48	4:13
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:23	12:24	11:56	11:42	12:07	12:36
Asst (Afternoon)	3:43	3:45	3:16	3:08	3:32	4:08
Maghreb (Sunset)	7:07	7:15	6:46	6:37	7:01	7:36
Isha (Night)	9:07	9:15	8:46	8:37	9:01	9:36



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## High quality mark to adorn national products

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, June 25 — A quality mark system will be introduced for local products guaranteeing quality, according to Dr. Khaled Al-Khalaf, Saudi Arabian standards organization director general.

He was quoted by *Saudi Business* magazine, to be published Saturday, as saying that the quality mark will be sanctioned for use by local factories after extensive tests of the products involved.

SASO also has begun updating of some of the standard specifications it had issued. A special committee has been set up for the purpose and any changes to be effected will

be recommended by this panel. The organization reviews its standards every three or four years to see if there is any negative effect or complaints from consumers, businessmen or manufacturers.

SASO is a government agency entrusted with the formation of national standard specifications which will govern imported goods as well as products of local industries. The organization sets high standards after detailed studies and proposals of these are circulated to government departments and importers, or manufacturers concerned. A specific period is given for receiving comments of the parties concerned before the proposals become mandatory standards.

One of the standards to be modified is that for portland cement. "We are exploring ways by which cement factories can get together and thrash out their problems with the help of SASO," Khalaf told the magazine. With the aim of improving standards for cement products, SASO is looking into the reliability of laboratories of cement factories "to make sure that they all use the same methods of tests so that, no matter which factory applies these tests, the results are the same everywhere."

SASO has so far approved more than 300 standards for foods, agricultural products, textiles, electronics, building materials, chemicals and petroleum products.

## 45 schools open in western cities

TAIF, June 25 (SPA) — Forty-five schools have been opened in Jeddah, Makkah and Taif during the academic year 1982-83, officials announced Friday.

Western Region Education Director General Dr. Abdullah Al-Zaid said that three primary schools and an intermediate are being built now at a total cost of more than SR20 million. They will be equipped with modern educational devices, in addition to classrooms, halls, theaters and sports fields.

A project for building 250 housing units for employees is already underway, the report said. A mosque, a clinic, a school for children, a recreation center, sports facilities and gardens also are underway at the company's residential camp in Dammam. This project will be completed next year.

SAFCO introduced some changes in its urea producing plant and the methods of treating water to protect the environment against pollution. The move produced satisfactory results in protecting the surrounding areas. The company has prepared a working program for this purpose and a team of specialists in chemical analysis is pursuing it, the report said.

All Hamoud Muhammad had committed several thefts before he was arrested by security authorities. When interrogated, he confessed to his crimes and was tried by the Riyadh Grand Court. The court sentence called for cutting off his right hand from the wrist. A royal decree endorsed the execution of the sentence.

The interior ministry reiterated the government's determination to preserve security and implement God's rules on offenders.

### Batista presents carving

JEDDAH, June 25 — Brazilian wood-carver Batista, currently visiting the Kingdom, presented one of his beautiful works to King Fahd through Petroleum and Minerals Minister Ahmad Zaki Yamani. The carving, done on massive wood from the Amazon river, represents the Yemanya, a mystic personage of the Brazilian folklore.

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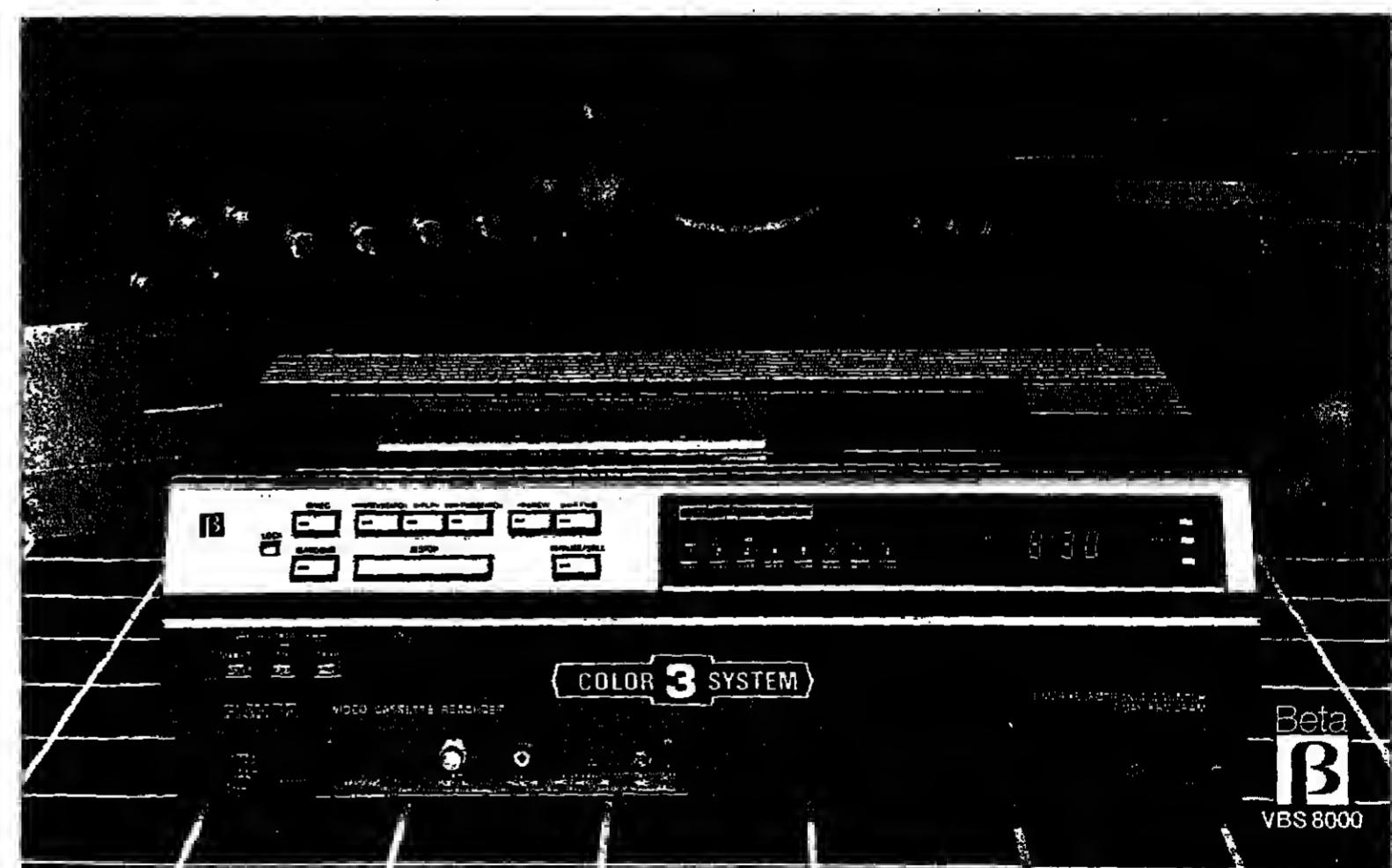
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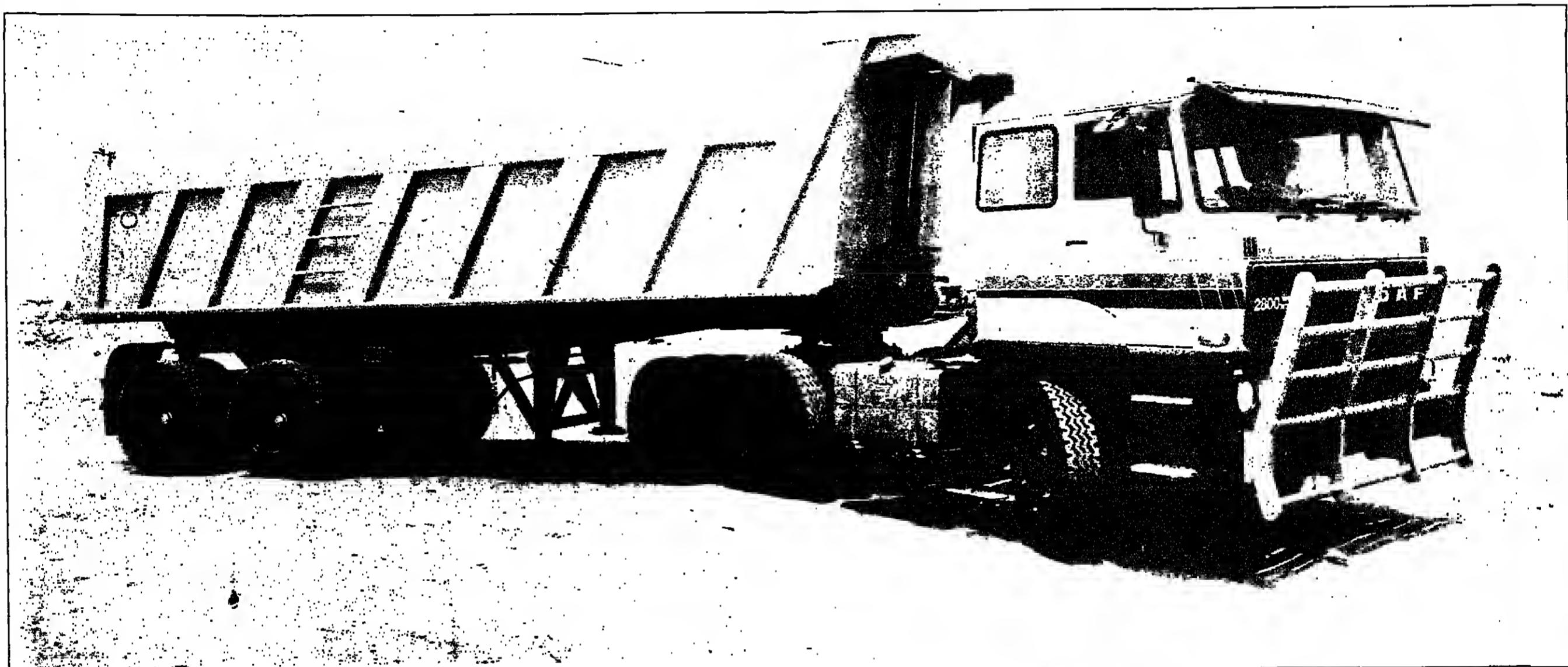
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**To lift siege of Beirut**

## Paris wants EEC to pressure Israel

PARIS, June 25 (Agencies) — France is pursuing an important diplomatic effort in Lebanon to avoid an Israeli army advance into west Beirut, where Palestinian commandos are encircled, the External Relations Ministry said Friday.

A ministry spokesman said during the daily briefing for reporters that the action was purely diplomatic in nature. Official sources said France would ask its nine partners in the European Economic Community (EEC) to try to pressure Israel to lift its siege of Beirut. The sources said France had requested the matter be given priority at the EEC summit in Brussels next Monday.

The spokesman said France opposed disarming Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) commandos because it would lead to the disappearance of a representative of the Palestinian people. "France considers that without doubt it would be a bad thing to remove one of the representatives of the Palestinian people," the spokesman said. The French government has on several occasions strongly condemned the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

In Cairo, Egypt has proposed a meeting of the nonaligned foreign ministers to examine the crisis in Lebanon, Butros Ghali, minister of state for foreign affairs, said Thursday.

Meanwhile, President Hosni Mubarak has sent another "urgent" message to U.S. President Ronald Reagan asking him to take "decisive and immediate" measures to end the siege of Beirut and the Israeli occupation of Lebanon, Ghali said.

The Egyptian president met with a political committee Thursday to examine a note from the U.S. ambassador in Cairo outlining Washington's efforts to reach a settlement to the fighting in Lebanon, he said. The suggestion for the nonaligned meeting, he said, was made to the Yugoslav ambassador in Cairo.

At the United Nations, Cuba Thursday requested, in the name of the nonaligned movement which it currently heads, a special U.N. General Assembly session on the Palestinian question. Cuba said it wanted the debate to be held immediately as a continuation of the special assembly meetings on Palestine, which have been held several times since 1950. The nonaligned movement voted for such a move last Tuesday but postponed it because of reservations by Lebanon.

Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar sent messages Thursday to the leaders of

Israel and Syria appealing for a ceasefire, U.N. sources disclosed. The sources said the secretary-general also had sent a message to Reagan asking him to use his influence to restore a ceasefire.

In another development, more than 1,000 Americans, Britons and other foreign nationals boarded ships from Jounieh in what is probably the last organized evacuation from war-ravaged Lebanon. The U.S. navy vessel *Nashville* and the British-chartered container ship *The Royal Prince* sailed with the evacuees from Cyprus.

In Vienna, a United Nations relief agency appealed to governments Thursday for \$39 million urgently needed for 175,000 Palestinian refugees in Lebanon. The Vienna-based U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) said about 175,000 Palestinians needed aid and the funds would provide food, tents and basic necessities for the next six months. "The present Israeli invasion into Lebanon has resulted in heavy casualties, massive displacement of the population and large-scale destruction of refugee camps and UNRWA installations and equipment," UNRWA Commissioner-General Olof Rydbeck said in a statement.

In Calcutta, young Indian Communists protesting the Israeli invasion of Lebanon ransacked the American Center Library in downtown Calcutta Thursday and replaced its flag with a Palestine Liberation Organization banner. A mob estimated at up to 300 persons broke windows and furniture, smashed fans and the glass of three videotape players and tossed books and index cards in the spacious reading room.

The invaders, who fled before police arrived, were identified as workers of the Democratic Youth Federation, the youth wing of India's Marxist Communist Party which rules West Bengal state. Witnesses said all appeared to be Indian.

In Beirut, a booby-trapped car exploded in a southern suburb Thursday killing at least three persons in the latest of 10 such incidents since the Israeli offensive into Lebanon.

The blast occurred in Chiyah, which is located near Palestinian refugee camps. The quarter has not been hit in the Israeli raids and many residents have remained in their homes.

Immediate casualty reports said 12 persons were also injured, but it was feared the final toll would be much higher.

## Geneva talks on Afghanistan make progress

GENEVA, June 25 (AP) — U.N. Undersecretary General Diego Cordovez said Friday representatives of Pakistan and Afghanistan agreed to "certain important, significant political concessions" in seven days of private and indirect talks which produced "ideas on the structure of a possible comprehensive settlement" of the war in Afghanistan.

Cordovez, who functioned as the intermediary between the two delegations, said a "set of understandings" was reached Thursday in the final hours of discussions which will serve as a basis for further deliberations, planned for autumn. He would not, however, provide specific details, and adamantly refused to say whether he felt the negotiations would require additional months or years.

He characterized the discussions themselves as representing "a political concession" but added: "I cannot go into the substance of my conversations or the kind of approaches that are being developed."

## Assailants kill guard of PLO official in Rome

ROME, June 25 (AP) — Terrorists riding a scooter shot and killed a policeman guarding the apartment of the local Palestine Liberation Organization representative Thursday night, police said.

The attack was followed by a brief shootout with bodyguards of Nemer Hammad, the director of the PLO's Rome office, who fired pistol shots from a balcony of the apartment, police reported. Another policeman and a pedestrian were wounded during the attack, police said. They were both reported in a critical condition.

Police said they believe one of the assailants, who staged the attack supported by at least three men traveling in a car, was wounded by the bodyguards fire. The PLO's office here charged "Israeli terrorists" were responsible for the attack.

Police said two young men riding a scooter fired machinegun at three policemen assigned to protect Hammad after last week's killings of two Palestinians.

The dead policeman was identified as Antonio Galluzzo, 25. He was shot in the chest and died shortly after the attack in a local hospital. One of the terrorists used Galluzzo's machinegun to respond to the body-

guard's fire before escaping in the scooter, police said. The scooter was found with the car a few blocks away from the scene, in the northern district of Rome.

Police said the terrorists stopped a car flashing false police identification documents, forced its occupants to step out and fled. Anti-terrorist police and carabinieri anti-terrorists charged with several killings of policemen in the past. The other wounded policeman was identified as Giuseppe Pilon, 26.

Italian authorities provided special protection to Hammad after Kamal Hussein, the deputy director of the PLO office here, was killed last Thursday when a bomb exploded in his car. The bombing occurred hours after unidentified gunmen shot and killed Nazeh Matar, a Lebanese student active in the PLO.

The PLO charged "Israeli terrorist squads" carried out both attacks. The Israeli Embassy here denied the charges.

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## U.S. denies visa to Saad Haddad

TEL AVIV, June 25 (AP) — Maj. Saad Haddad, renegade Lebanese army officer who established an Israeli-backed militia enclave in South Lebanon, has been refused a visa for a visit to the United States, a senior Israeli military official said Thursday.

The U.S. embassy in Tel Aviv refused to confirm or deny the report. The Israeli military official, who has daily contact with Haddad, said the U.S. State Department had rejected Haddad's visa request on the grounds that he did not represent any recognized political authority in Lebanon. Military regulations do not permit the identification of the officer.

## Turkey arrests 106 suspected extremists

ISTANBUL, June 25 (AP) — Martial law authorities in a southern Turkish province Thursday announced the arrest of 106 suspected extremists in recent raids into suburban areas and operations in nearby hills.

The announcement from the Kahramanmaraş Martial Law Command said 17 of those seized belonged to the Marxist-Leninist Revolutionary People's Union. The suspects are accused of involvement in the slaying of five persons, engaging in shootouts with security forces and distributing pamphlets urging a Communist takeover in Turkey. It said the faction was linked to the outlawed Turkish Communist Party (TKP).

More than 500 alleged members of the same underground organization were rounded up following the September 1980 military takeover, military authorities said. In other operations, security forces arrested 48 leftist militants, seven rightist sympathizers, and nine separatist activists since May 24, the announcement said. The raids also netted 32 automatic weapons and rifles, 17 pistols and 1,500 cartridges.

Meanwhile, the head of state, Gen. Kenan Evren said a new Turkish constitution, being prepared by a consultative assembly, will be submitted to a national referendum in November.

Evren told a crowd in the northern Turkish city of Zonguldak that the constitution would go into force immediately if the nation showed approval in the referendum.

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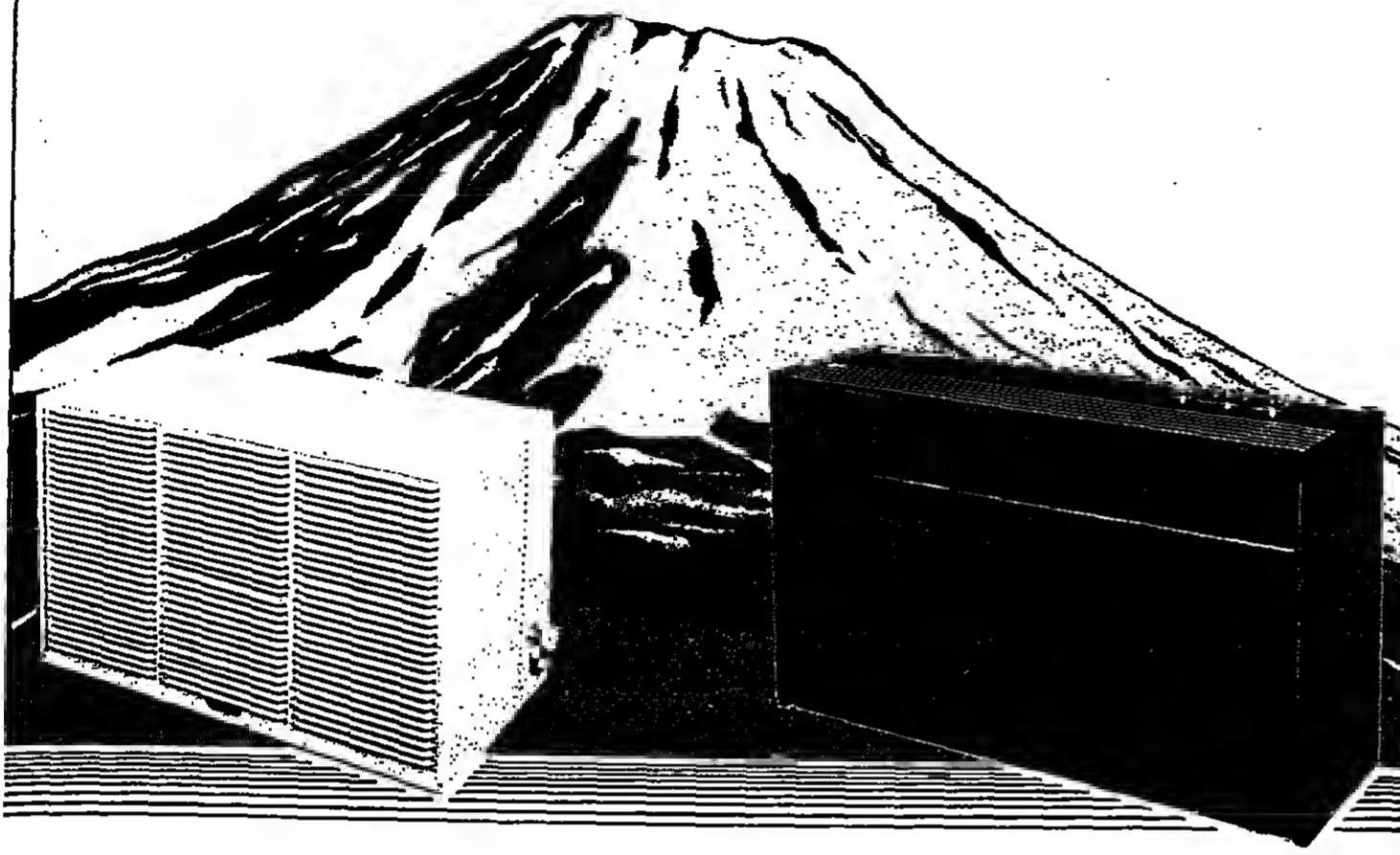


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## U.S.-BACKED AGGRESSION

The situation on the ground in Lebanon is changing — the fighting is escalating once more to include the Syrian forces. The Israeli invaders are attacking the Syrians over the international highway between Beirut and Damascus. The direction of the attack comes from Kahala toward the Aley, Bhamdoun, Soufia, Mdeirij and Dahr al Beidat. Secondary fronts are also being opened on Hamana, Mansouria, Souq al Gharb, Kamaria, Rouaisat al Namaan, Rashmaya, Bkhastay and Ain al Mati.

Many names, some quite well to Arab summer visitors in happier days. Small towns and villages which had so far to a great measure escaped the civil war and its aftermath, are now at the mercy of the United States-supported Israeli aggression. Israel has now become America's Rapid Deployment Force in the Middle East. Who knows where it will strike next?

Militarily, the widening of the conflict opens up possibilities which were denied to the Arab side in the first two weeks of the conflict. The Israeli enemy's personnel and his tanks are strung along terrains which are difficult to secure. The tables can still be turned on the enemy if the Syrians, the Lebanese and, most importantly, the Arab world as a whole, show determination.

As for the Syrians, the clearer Israel's intentions regarding them become, the less choice they have: the Israeli attack on Dahr al Beidat is directed against the Syrian forces in the Bekaa Valley. The Syrian positions there are already threatened from the south, and for the Israelis to take Dahr al Beidat would make them untenable, thus exposing the defenses of Syria itself to severe danger. Syria therefore would have either to fight on or trust itself to Israeli tender mercies.

It remains for the rest of the Arab world to take the necessary political and military moves which expose the enemy to what he most fears: a protracted war in depth.

## Saudi Arabian press review

Friday's newspapers strongly criticized the American stand on the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, with one paper affirming that it was in fact the Jews who were the decision-makers in the U.S. as far as the Middle East was concerned.

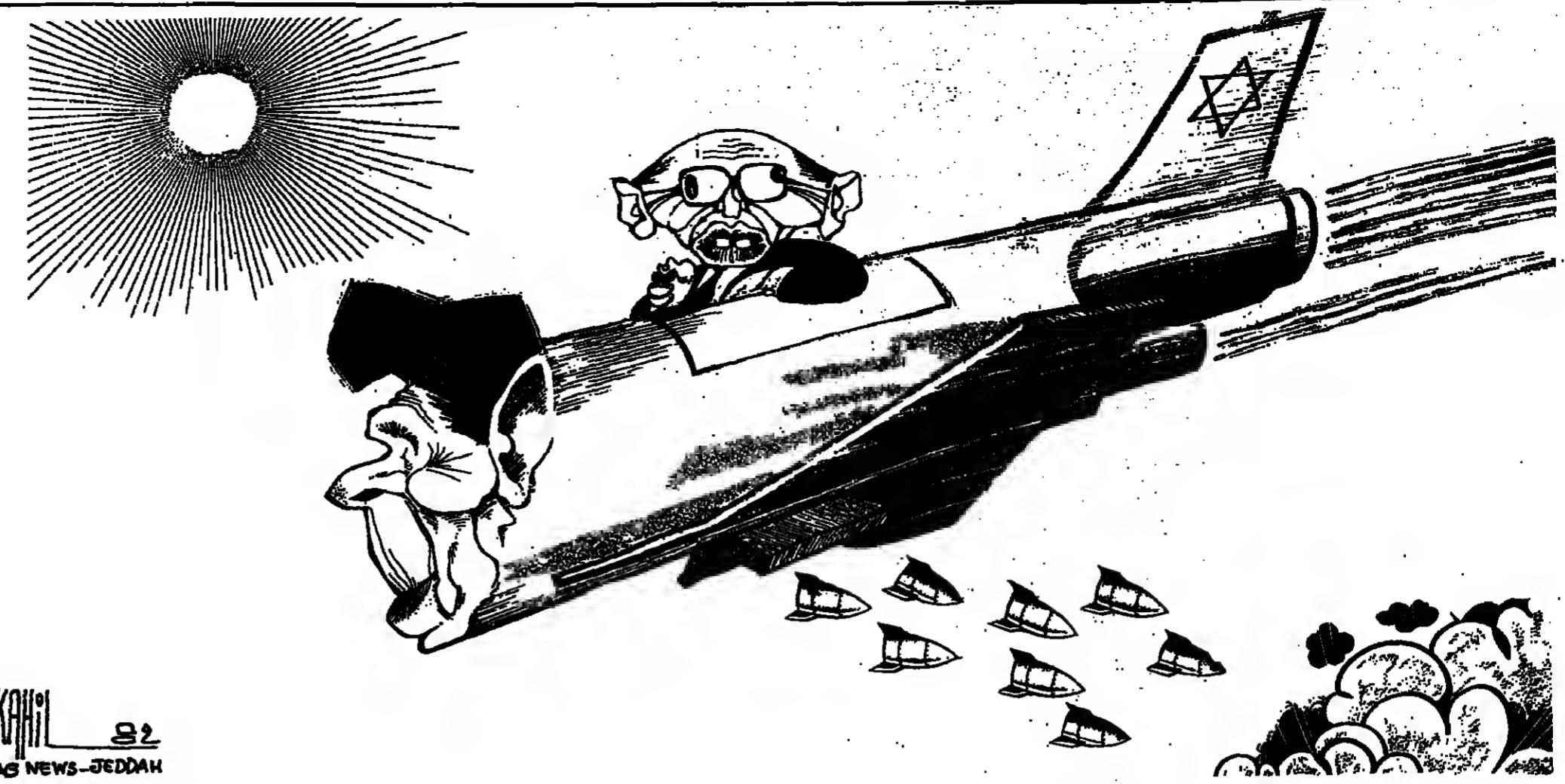
Under the heading "Israel will eventually lose even its own existence," *Al-Jazirah* said in an editorial that Israeli Premier Menachem Begin would never be able to "kill the will to live, resist and emerge victorious enjoyed by the Lebanese and Palestinian peoples."

"He will eventually discover that Israel's alleged security will not be achieved through military force and trying to subdue the will of the Palestinian Arab people to resist occupation," it added.

The paper strongly criticized "the negative stand adopted by the world and the United States toward the barbaric invasion currently being committed by Israel in Lebanon."

"The United States cannot indefinitely exploit the American people's resources to back an illegitimate and aggressive state which occupies Arab land," it said.

"No one can impose on the Palestinian people a solution which is unacceptable and does not meet their just demands," it added.



## American citizen, tired of his country's hypocrisy, writes on Israeli massacres

## U.S. Mideast policy proves it is NOT a friend of Arabs

By H. Rigler

This is an apology. It is an apology from a single person to a people. It is an apology from a concerned and saddened American with no diplomatic status and no governmental authority to the Palestinians who also lack diplomatic status of any consequence. It is an apology from an American citizen who is tired of his country's ignorance and his leader's hypocrisy. It is also a lament for two peoples, Palestinians and Americans. The physical destruction of the former and the psychic and moral deterioration of the latter mean that both share a bond, tangled though it may be.

I do not believe in the concept of collective guilt. I no more believe that I am personally responsible for the death of one Palestinian over the last 35 years than the present youth of Germany are responsible for the atrocities committed against the Jews from 1933 until 1945 by their fathers and grandfathers. Guilt is not why I am apologizing. Rather, it is out of shame for my country that I feel impelled to speak out. If my views are shared by other Americans, and I believe they are shared by some, that is fine; but I know that my views are not shared by many other Americans, and I believe that is the cause of a national tragedy which we are now experiencing. If a single Palestinian reads this article and comes to realize that not all Americans have lost their morality and compassion in the face of political expediency or blind prejudice, I will be satisfied. Even if no one shares my view, I will still have said publicly what I feel privately, and I believe there is merit to that. I do not want to be one of those people who kept silent about injustice and then complained when the consequences of that silence manifested itself. I am speaking out because I agree with John Donne that "No man is an island," and that my humanity is all I really need to claim a bond with the Palestinians.

I know deep down that this article will not stop a single bullet being shipped to Israel from America's open ended pipeline leading from the weapons arsenals and factories directly to the shattered remains of Sidon, Tyre and Beirut. But I must hope that sometime, somewhere, men in positions of authority will be rational enough to see the folly of their ways and will forswear war and territorial conquest and replace them with peace and territorial integrity. Human nature will not change, but human nature does not have to lean so heavily toward the baser nature of man. I sincerely believe that man is capable of greatness and magnanimity on a far wider scale than he has demonstrated so far.

The horrible Time of Troubles presently being experienced in Lebanon by the Palestinian and their Lebanese allies (and thousands of non-combatant Lebanese) should leave no doubt in the minds of any but the most morally bankrupt that the United States has no regrets at all about what has occurred. The statements emanating from Washington and New York have avoided the slightest hints of criticism of Israel. A feeble request from President Reagan (perhaps it was more of a polite begging than a request) to Israel to withdraw their troops while the United States representative at the U.N. vetoes a resolution calling for such a withdrawal smacks of metaphysical insanity and political cowardice of the highest (or lowest) order. But to realize that this is merely one more example of a practice which has been going on for almost four decades only serves to make one aware of the total mockery America has made of man's desire to search for and understand the nature of justice and truth.

Any society which can consistently produce leaders in politics, education and the media with the most deeply rooted mind set in favor of Israel and all it has come to stand for must be a society whose institutions have gone terribly awry. Any society whose leaders justify every grant of weapons and who play down every act of sophisticated terrorism by Israel is a society whose own real interests are being sacrificed for the financial or political benefit of a handful in positions of influence. Such a society is America today. Any society whose educational system perpetuates the myths and preaches the merits of the supremacy of the military supermen of Israel is a society destined to deceive its children about other aspects of reality. Such a society is America today. Any society whose press and television media present an almost totally biased view in support of Israel is destined to be tragically misinformed and to suffer the consequences of poor judgments in world affairs. Such a society is America today. My country is such a society because it has developed an unbreakable "special relationship" with Israel, a relationship which defies economics and logic and makes a sham of the concept of justice. America is such a society because of the influence of a group of people whose political energies and financial power are grossly disproportionate in numbers to the numerically superior but politically apathetic majority. Such is the reality of America today.

Philip C. Habib another prominent American personality in my country's Middle Eastern sidebar. This experienced negotiator has covered countless miles traveling around to regional capitals while everyone can see what little he has accomplished by his efforts. He has become a professional time-marker and short-term gap filler. If one were to judge the worth of a product by its success, one can only conclude that Habib's efforts have been a colossal failure. One need only look as far under the rubble of the buildings in Lebanon and in the streets to see the mangled bodies of men, women and children. Can anyone have any serious doubts about the success of the maw's heroic peace efforts?

The American representative at the United Nations, Mrs. Jean Kirkpatrick, recently was critical of U.S. diplomats by saying that they behaved "like a bunch of amotors." But no one could fail to include her in that category when she vatoes a resolution condemning Israel because the wording was "not balanced" enough to suit her and her superiors. This comes from a representative of a nation which has made it an explicit part of its foreign policy to make sure that nothing even remotely approaching a balanced arms policy exists in the Middle East. We maintain an imbalance so heavily weighted in favor of Israel that even some thinking Israelis have wondered why the United States gives Israel everything it wants. They cannot believe that any country can be so gullible and subject to political pressure by another country as small as theirs. Such is the attitude represented by America's ambassador to the United Nations.

But of all the foreign policy formulations in the U.S. today, there is none with a greater reputation than Henry Kissinger. His advice is sought after and highly paid for on the lecture circuit. Almost everything he says is widely publicized. This is the man whose negotiating skills brought the Vietnam War to such an unsuccessful conclusion for America. This is the man who conceptualized a "solution" to the 1973 Arab-Israeli war which eventually culminated in Egypt signing a degrading separate peace treaty with Israel several years later and which was a contributing factor in the forcing of the Palestinians into Lebanon which in turn became an element in the Lebanese civil war. This is the Nobel Peace Prize winner whose wisdom and humanity recently prompted him to say that the Israeli invasion "improved chances" for a solution to the Palestinian problem. Thus, by the Israeli killing of thousands and the making of refugees of hundreds of thousands, Kissinger believes a solution is closer than ever before. Then he made a typically obscure statement to the effect that the way the Israelis have acted "is something in which the U.S...should use its possibilities for creativity." Thus, world events are merely part of an intellectual chess game of nations to this aeronautic. Only a man who lives

in a netherworld of intellectual speciousness could make statements like these. The truly sad part is that the press and many Americans see Kissinger as one of the great statesmen of our time. This is a terrible indictment of our times.

The makers of our policy deserve the lion's share of the blame for the morass we are in, it is the disseminators of that policy and the opinion makers who share a great part of the blame. There can be no question about the power of the communications media in the United States. Television will give selective segments of film to convey whatever impressions they wish. They will show Israeli mourners weeping at the burial of a loved one killed in the Arab-Israeli conflict, but they will then show gloating Israeli soldiers standing over the bullet-ridden body of a Palestinian "terrorist" (or freedom fighter if one is a Palestinian). While TV does its best to shape opinion, it is the press which probably is responsible for depth of attitudes. Almost every newspaper I have read in America will editorialize in favor of Israel even though one may read a wrist-slapping comment once in a great while. But it is the breed of the feature writer who has the most impact on influencing readers. Three journalists stand out as classic examples of pro-Israeli propagandists and they are read by millions of people in any given week.

William Safire, considered by many to be one of the foremost authorities on language today, should know better than anyone the Orwellian dictum that "One ought to recognize that the present political chaos is connected with the decay of language, and that one can probably bring about some improvement by starting at the verbal end." And yet Safire uses language to perpetuate the myth about Israel that has proved hollow for the past 30 years. Joseph Kraft is another pundit who is an acknowledged supporter of Zionism and does not miss an opportunity to further the cause of Israel regardless of its constant flouting of international law. But perhaps the mightiest Lilliputian of them all is George Will. This is a man whose knowledge of Lebanon's true recent history is minimal (he is but an expert) and his biases against the Palestinians and for the Israelis are colossal. Only his ignorance of the ineffective rule of Christians which led to the collapse of Lebanon beginning in 1973 or even as early as Lebanon's independence in the 1940's could prompt him to write an article in the June 14th issue of the *Harold Tribune* in which he arrogated to himself the right to ignore the rights of Lebanon's Muslim majority "...the West should change its name." Thus he calls upon the subjective sanctity of Christianity as a cleansing agent in the same spirit as the Crusades must have done 800 years ago.

In conclusion, I am, as I said in the first paragraph, a tired American, I am tired of six and ten hour television epics about Masada and the Holocaust. I am tired of seeing American politicians' domineering mannerisms and spouting politically expedient phrases at the tomb of Israel's monument to the Holocaust. I am tired of having my tax dollars used to build sophisticated electronic anti-missile systems placed in F-15 and F-16 fighters which have been given to Israel under lenient terms or outright grants. These planes keep the Middle East boiling because it is in "America's interest." I am tired of Congress temporarily withholding shipments of arms to Israel whenever Israel does anything that so egregiously offends mankind that even U.S. politicians cannot be seen to be condoning this. Everyone knows that the charade will end soon and the arms will reach Tel Aviv in time to start a new crisis. I am tired of reading about the genocide of the Jews 40 years ago while hearing nothing in the American press about the genocide of the Palestinians today. I am tired of hearing the charge of "anti-semitism" brought against anyone who does not endorse everything Israel does. I am tired of hearing the expression, "Never Again" as a national motto about remembrances of things past. Yes, may the world never again witness the slaughter of humans on the same scale as happened in Europe during World War II. But also may the world never again see the likes of a state so obsessed in an obsession for survival that its ruthlessness is veneered with the trappings of respectability such as exists in Israel today.

Because I believe that I am, like Tennyson's Ulysses, part of all that I have met." I can honestly say that I love America for all that it has done for me and for others and for its lofty ideals, but I pity America for what it may be becoming and, finally, I once again apologize for America for what it has done and continues to do to the Arabs in general and the Palestinians in particular.

dicts of the military mentality in Israel. In short, it has given the world a legacy of destruction which may well lead to even greater destruction unless its psychos can be checked effectively.

As the father of a seven-year old boy, I have tried to teach him the necessity of trying to get along with others, indeed the benefit to everyone of getting along with each other. But I find that perhaps I am being hypocritical. I think it very possible that I may be another victim of the brutalization of man which started in Germany in 1933. The Jewish people of Israel have brutalized themselves by their defensive isolation and their unwillingness to concede that others have just as many human rights as they do. They in turn have brutalized the Palestinians by their savage provocations and retaliations. And how I find that I am at the end of the chain. I felt nothing when I read of the death of Gen. Yekutiel Adam, the leader of the Israeli invasion force. I cynically sneered as I read about the "heavy price" the Israelis had paid with their 200 dead soldiers and over a thousand wounded. The Israelis cannot begin to understand the words "heavy price" until they can exchange places with the Palestinians and the Lebanese. And so, I have preached brotherhood to my son, but find it difficult to live it in my private thoughts. I too have been brutalized and this makes me as much at fault as the Zionist zealots that I criticize. But I still have some ideals which give me the optimism I spoke of earlier in this article. My parents had World War II as their burden. I have the Arab-Israeli conflict, but I hope my son's adulthood will know a period when men do live by the ideals in which they so profoundly believe.

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Today is Saturday, June 26th, the 177th day of 1982. There are 188 days left in the year. Highlights in history on this date:

1541 — Francisco Pizarro, Spanish conqueror, is slain in Lima, Peru.

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1714 — Spain and Holland sign peace of Utrecht.

1812 — Polish Diet declares Poland independent, but Napoleon Bonaparte refuses to accept the decision.

1858 — Treaty of Tientsin ends war between Britain and China, whereby China opens further ports to British ships and legalizes the opium trade.

1945 — Charter establishing the United Nations is signed in San Francisco, California by 50 nations.

*Ancient folk art***Dammam's eggers**

By Jean Grant

**DHAHRAN** — The customs men at Dhahran International Airport never quite know what to make of Sandi Whitteker and Dee Findley. Whenever these two women come through customs, they bring with them hundreds upon hundreds of eggs: ostrich eggs big as canaries; those that tinkle like crystal when you tick them; finch eggs tiny as your small fingernail; emu eggs, as beautifully green as giant avocados; speckled Japanese quail and oatmeal-colored turkey eggs; and to be sure geese and duck eggs, too.

The customs man stares at the eggs nestled in their trunks, pokes about, and peers inside the tiny holes at either end. The bemused official must wonder what these women are up to with their hollow eggs.

As if the hollow eggs weren't enough, the women carry little bags of moss, grape tendrils, and roots as well. Whitteker and Findley are imparting hollow eggs to Saudi Arabia to decorate them. The roots and moss are for the decorations inside the hollow eggs.

The tradition of decorating eggs is as ancient as it is widespread: The ancient Egyptians gave eggs as gifts. Alexander III of Russia had Faberge, jeweler to the imperial court, make eggs of efin delicacy for the Tsarina in 1884. In Singapore mothers give red eggs on the birth of infants. The Ukrainians still decorate eggs annually in joy at the rebirth of spring. Whitteker and Findley are only two of America's 3,000 eggers. Findley has made over 600 in the past year and a half that she has been in the Kingdom while Whitteker has been decorating eggs for 15 years and teaching others this folk art.

"The egg is the start of life. You can always make something beautiful out of an egg," smiles Whitteker. There is an egg for every milestone in life. For the birth of a little girl, Whitteker crafted a pink bootie from two eggs. When the girl is older, she might like a tiny lamp made from a finch's egg to set on a table in a dollhouse. Later when she graduates from high school (an egghead at the top of the class) celebrate by offering her an egg decorated with her high school motto, graduation date and her name. Commemorate her first job with an egg emblazoned with the company logo; for her betrothal, a suitor could do worse than to set the engagement ring inside a velvet-lined egg jewelry box. Crown the wedding cake with a showpiece egg such as the one Findley designed for her daughter: a rhea egg playing the theme tune from *Love Story* with two doves set inside the egg, twirling round with wedding rings in their beaks. Remind the bride that it's good to keep a nest egg by offering her a golden pie set in a marbled egg.

Some go to extremes in personalizing these

keepsakes. A friend once commissioned Findley to decorate her parakeet's eggs. Findley dutifully applied a shiny decoupage glaze to each of the eggs. So pleased was the bird's owner that she ordered her mynah bird's eggs decorated as soon as the fowl got around to laying them.

During their stay in the Kingdom both Whitteker and Findley have decorated Saudi motifs on ostrich eggs. Whitteker hopes to decorate the inside of an ostrich egg with a Bedouin scene, placing a miniature house of hair inside the great egg, with Bedouins gathered around coffee pots and narghiles, seated on native carpets. Both women are painting geese eggs black or dark green and applying gold-foil decals of traditional Arabian scenes. On one egg, Whitteker made a diorama of tiny camel, set against the Saudi seal of crossed swords and palm trees and mounted the egg on a base of petrified wood found near Riyadh.

It takes from a few minutes to several weeks to decorate an egg, depending on the complexity of the design. The more intricate creations, such as the one picture above—*At the Boutique*—are given names. This egg shows a woman trying on hats at a milliner's. The milliner waits, bat in hand, as the customer in fancy frock, admires herself in a minuscule mirror set at the back of the egg.

One of Findley's duck eggs is marbleized and has tiny crystals falling to resemble raindrops; at the egg's base, tiny velvet flowers remind the viewer of the tender growth the rain brings. Other eggs light up and play tunes. Hinged doors in the eggs open to reveal surprises.

How are such marvels of delicacy created?



DECORATING: Skilled hands are seen here (left) decorating an egg. Center: Sandi Whitteker's working table. It takes from a few minutes to several weeks to decorate an egg, depending on the complexity of the design. Right: 'At the Boutique' — a finished product.



white.

"People on the Al Qabtani compound rarely buy eggs. We keep them well supplied," laugh the women, who buy 10 dozen flats of chicken hen eggs at a time. "It's amazing how many cakes and omelettes these make," adds Findley ruefully, "but eggs are

not my favorite thing to eat anymore, especially not scrambled."

No fear of either woman's putting all her eggs in one basket. They wouldn't fit! In the entry to Whitteker's villa, three huge Qatifi baskets are filled with eggs. Another three metallic egg baskets hang above her worktable. A high intensity light catches reflections from the dozens of "findings," the golden bits used as bases for the eggs. Tweezers, dental picks, and drills rest on a fluffy pink towel. Stock shelves hold books on egg decoration, more drawers of findings, and stacks of greeting cards from which the prints are taken. Three dozen eggs stuck on shish kebab skewers dry on a drying rack made by her husband.

Eggs can be surprisingly sturdy. "The more you put on an egg, the stronger it becomes," says Whitteker, who favors beading, cording and enameling eggs. The larger the egg, the thicker its shell. When an ostrich egg is filled, it is so strong that a man can stand on it without breaking it. Tiny finch eggs, on the other hand, need to be filled with epoxy glue so they won't break in the process of decoration. Chicken hen eggs are not valued because they are thin-shelled and bumpy.

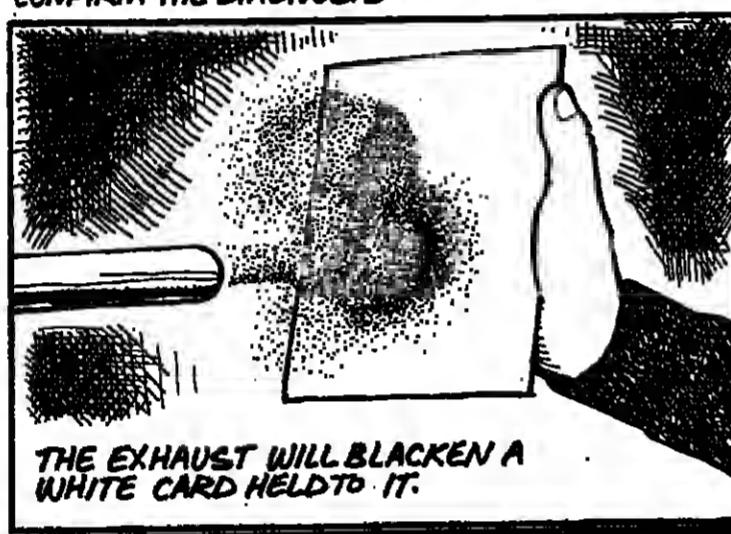
Both Whitteker and Findley find their work calming and engrossing. "I just love doing this," says Findley. Eggart, she remarks, is used as therapy in some mental institutions in the West.

"There isn't anything you can't design an egg around," the two enthusiasts agree. In a way, these two craftswomen outdo the goose that lays the golden egg in the fairy tale. While each golden egg was the same as the one before it, what these two women produce are all different, each eggshell fashioned into an original keepsake of beauty.

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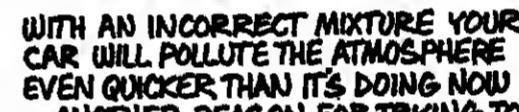
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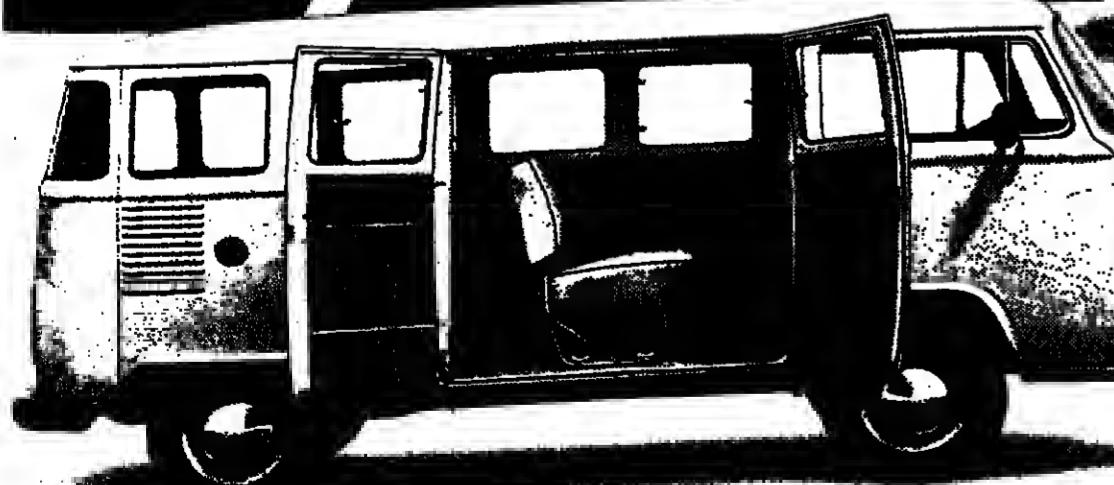
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At Manila conference

# ASEAN health care endorsed

By Adiel J. Amor

**MANILA** (Dephnews) — Prospects for better health for all the peoples of Southeast Asia improved recently when the leading medical associations of the region pledged their wholehearted support to primary health care.

"We regard primary health care (PHC) as the central axis of the health care system," said the doctors in a statement at the end of the first conference of the Medical Association of Southeast Nations (MASEAN).

"As such, we believe that if PHC should be available and accessible to the whole community, transcending the barriers of income and geography," the doctors added.

Although primary health care was adopted by the World Health Organization (WHO) as its global strategy to achieve health for all in 1978, private doctors had been leery of the concept. It was only during the first MASEAN conference last May 22-24 in Manila, that doctors in the region finally accepted primary health care. MASEAN was organized in 1980.

According to the WHO, primary health care is essential health care which is practical, scientifically sound and could be afforded by all sectors of the community. During the MASEAN conference, the doctors stressed

the need to provide medical health in the rural areas where two-thirds of the region's people live.

In their statement, called the "Manila declaration," the doctors said: "We specifically emphasize the right of our rural people to a standard of health care not inferior to that of our urban population. We firmly reiterate a policy of inferior or minimal health care for the rural areas."

They called on the ASEAN governments to provide more money to ensure that more medical services will be available to all the peoples of the region.

Studies presented during the conference indicated that ASEAN governments give only marginal amounts for health services. In Malaysia, for example, the health budget is only 6.1 percent of the national budget. In Indonesia, it accounts for as low as 5 percent of the total budget.

The doctors said governments should consider health as a national investment. As such, it could be used to "mitigate the awful consequences of poverty and to redistribute the inequitable balance of medical progress and development in underserved areas."

The doctors said that in the implementation of primary health care, conflicts will eventually arise on the issue of medical fees and economics. The doctors called on their

colleagues to help contain escalating health costs so that health may be within reach of all people.

In Malaysia, health care costs have risen from \$2.7 per person in 1957 to \$37.7 per person in 1976. In Indonesia, medical fees have increased threefold in ten years. General practitioners were charging only 500 rupiahs (\$0.78) in 1970; by 1980, the fee was about 1,500 rupiahs (\$2.35).

The doctors bemoaned the fact that there is little knowledge of the interdependence of hospitals, clinics and primary health care. It is often not operated as interrelated links in a unified system but as fragmented and isolated situations.

The doctors stressed that there should be a "unity of functions" when it comes to primary health care and other economic and social activities. At the same time, the doctors called on all medical schools to reorient their training programs to meet the needs of the region's communities.

"The training received by most doctors is largely unsuited to the needs of primary health care," the Manila declaration stated. It added that primary health care is not service to a marginal class of medical care only designed for the underprivileged who cannot afford



SEOUL CENTER: The Gyeongbokgung Palace in Seoul, South Korea, provides a good example of the country's traditional wooden architecture.

## Korean architecture reflects human values

By Choi Hee-Jae

Some experts say China's roof-lines reflect a nation which is out to control or conquer nature. In contrast, Korean rooflines form soft curves which float heavenward ever so gently, flowing with nature's rhythms. Japan's style, on the other hand, appears earthbound.

Korean rooflines are supple with both ends slightly raised in a graceful curve. The rooflines harmonize with the eaves, giving a light feeling to the massive roof face. Adding to the effect are the corner pillars which are erected with a slight inward tilt.

This linear composition is enhanced by the furrowed lines of the tiled roofs, the lattice lines of windows and doors, and the delicate grain of wood.

In order to create a sense of stability, and yet retain a feeling of elegance, the central sections of supporting columns have a convex swelling. In addition, the inward-leaning pillars are slightly elevated.

Korean architecture is of Chinese origin.

But over the years, it developed its own natural and balanced style, unlike the grandiose and imposing Chinese genre or the excessively meticulous and elaborate decorative bent of the Japanese. One critic aptly observed that to view Chinese architecture,

one should kneel before it; to appreciate Japanese architecture, one should touch it by hand; and Korean architecture is best looked at from a distance.

The Chinese were preoccupied with strict symmetry, while the Japanese were extremely concerned with the miniature. Koreans tried to develop their own style which maintains order and harmony with nature, both inside and outside their buildings.

This feature can be seen in the interaction between Korean architecture and natural

surroundings. Both in design and engineering, artificial factors were subdued in favor of nature's own beauty. A priority was placed on using natural construction materials.

In Kyongbok Palace, the Gyeongbokgung (Hall of Government by Restraint) provides a good example. The building was first erected in the late 14th century, and then rebuilt in 1867. It served as the seat of government for several kings of the Yi dynasty (1392-1910). The lines of the structure complement the terrain of Pukak Mountain, which is the impressive backdrop for the building. The architects deliberately incorporated the mountain's shape into the construction of the hall, creating a wonderful effect.

Because of this attention to natural surroundings, traditional Korean structures do not detract from the land they are built on, but rather add to the beauties in a "land of emerald rivers and mountains."

Korean architecture has never been overpowering or imposing. Very few traditional Korean buildings are grandiose in size or scale. Instead, they impart a feeling of intimacy, as if they have been constructed to reflect human values.

These days, respect for traditional Korean architecture is increasing because of the urbanizing side effects of industrialization. Koreans' deep inclination toward nature finds expression in appreciating their architectural history. Because of this and a humanistic criticism of the functionalist school of architecture seen in the West (and increasingly in Seoul), old style architecture is attracting more and more attention. Korean architects are studying their roots and incorporating what they learn into their blueprints.

### ARTHRITIS AND RHEUMATISM

## STOP KILLING YOURSELF

By Peter J.

Steinrohn

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**Dear Dr. Steinrohn:** For years, I've had aches and pains in my shoulders and knees. X-rays didn't reveal anything much.

The

diagnosis most doctors gave me was "rheumatism." All they prescribed was aspirin and application of heat.

Recently,

I visited a young practitioner who said I have arthritis. He said my trouble is gout. He prescribed new medicines. For the first time in many years, I'm comfortable.

Just

what is the difference between rheumatism and arthritis? — Mrs. H.

Dear Mrs. H.:

Arthritis means involvement and inflammation of a joint. There are many variations of arthritis. The three most common being (1) osteoarthritis (the degenerative type most often attacking the middle-aged and elderly), (2) rheumatoid arthritis (a systemic disease usually affecting younger patients) and (3) gouty arthritis (a metabolic disease in which uric acid involves the joints).

I consider that the diagnosis, "rheumatism" is too vague a description of what may be wrong. For example, neuritis (nerve inflammation) is sometimes called rheumatism. Bursitis, also, yet it is not actually arthritis. All are put into the wastebasket of rheumatism.

I advise patients to ask their doctors for a more specific diagnosis than rheumatism. Successful treatment (as in your case, Mrs. H.) depends upon true diagnosis.

### MEDICALETTES

(Replies to and from readers)

**Dear Dr. Steinrohn:** My cousin has recently lost her only child because of sudden crib death. Her son was only ten months old. You never saw a healthier-looking child. How is it possible for a healthy child to die so suddenly? — Mrs. G.

**Dear Dr. Steinrohn:** For years, I've believed all the ads that promise relief from hemorrhoids. I still have this problem. I've just read another ad which promises not only to relieve, but to cure. Can a save cure hemorrhoids? — Mr. C.

**Dear Mr. C.:** Thousands find temporary relief from the pain and itching. However, I doubt that any such remedy will actually "cure" hemorrhoids.

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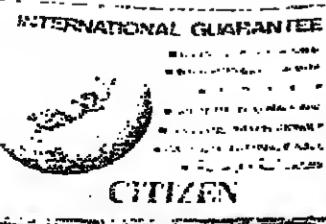
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**For Mr. T.:** Years ago, patients were treated almost as invalids after hernia operations. ("So the stitches wouldn't break.") These days, ordinarily, no more than two weeks' rest is prescribed before returning to work.

**Tomorrow: Is low cholesterol dangerous?**

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During Columbia flight

## U.S. plans military test in space

WASHINGTON, June 25 (Agencies) — The United States plans secret military tests in space for the first time in more than two decades of peaceful space exploration, during the fourth and final test flight of its *Columbia* space shuttle starting Sunday.

The shuttle, to be launched at 11 a.m. (1500 GMT) from Cape Canaveral in Florida on a week-long mission, will be carrying sophisticated new material to be tested by the astronauts. The mission coincides with rapid Soviet progress in the military exploration of space, with the emphasis on anti-satellite

weapons.

Few details have been disclosed by the Pentagon or the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), but specialists say the payload includes an infra-red telescope for detecting missiles and enemy aircraft from space, and a space sextant to enable military spacecraft to find their bearings without depending on earthbound bases.

Robert Hermann, assistant air force secretary, told Congress recently the infra-red telescope would provide vital information for future military missions. The exact location

of the equipment aboard *Columbia* is a secret and the astronauts have been ordered not to relay TV pictures of the storage compartment during testing.

Though other experiments will also be carried out, including some for a pharmaceutical laboratory, attention has been focused on the military aspects of this mission because of the importance given the shuttle by the Pentagon.

NASA spokesman Brian Duff said the space agency, in signing the agreement, was treating the Pentagon as it would treat any customer who wished to keep its shuttle payloads secret. He said there were many other potential users of the shuttle, especially private businesses, who might not wish to reveal any information about their cargoes.

"A customer clearly has the right to classify his cargo," Duff told a briefing. "They want to be the source of information about their cargo and we will respect their wishes."

### Britain jails 2 for spying

LONDON, June 25 (R) — Two men arrested at a London airport carrying a Morse radio receiver, codes, false passports and money were each jailed for seven years for spying for Cuba.

The two, who have the names Antonio Sanchez and Luis Fernandez, were convicted Thursday after a two-week trial of being equipped to pass information which might have been useful to an enemy of Britain and of possessing false documents. They were detained at Gatwick Airport in December as they arrived with another man on a flight from Spain. They refused to give their real names and nationalities.

The prosecution said they were either spies or terrorists sent by or on behalf of Cuba and were carrying a powerful shortwave radio, coding materials, forged passports and other documents and \$18,000.

As he announced the sentences, the judge at the Old Bailey Central Criminal Court told them: "You are professionals, you must... Know the consequences of engaging in spying." They denied the charges, saying they had come to Europe because they were involved in smuggling for South American operators.

Sanchez said he would not reveal his identity because he feared reprisals against his family. Judge Doodal Farquharson told them: "I accept that neither of you is experienced in this craft, but having regard to the equipment found on you I have no doubt that you are properly described as professionals."

"It is through no fault of yours that you never had the opportunity to do serious damage to this country. That you were unable to do so was because of the vigilance displayed by officers of the immigration service."

Defense lawyer Stuart Shields had pleaded mitigation that neither man ranked a master spy. "Their role was that of couriers. As they came here together and shared the same luggage, they were not even very good couriers," he said.

Shields noted that on their release from jail and deportation they would probably have difficulty finding a country to take them. "It may well be that they will find themselves in a situation where they are shuttled backward and forward by various airlines in an attempt to find somewhere where they can go," he said.

The two men were also sentenced to two years' jail, to run concurrently with the main sentence, for possessing forged passports and false border stamps.

After the trial, the Cuban Embassy in London denied the two men were spying for Cuba. "The first we knew of these men was when we read about them in the newspapers. We strongly deny they were working for us," an embassy spokesman said.

### BRIEFS

KAMPALA, (AFP) — A law enabling property seized from Asian businessmen in Uganda by former ruler Idi Amin to be returned to its original owners will be enacted before the end of next month, President Milton Obote told parliament Thursday. But he said that the Asians, who were also expelled by Amin in 1972, would have to return to Uganda to claim their property.

WASHINGTON, (AP) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan signed a bill Thursday that authorizes the Smithsonian Institution to construct a building in the nation's capital devoted primarily to African, Near Eastern and Asian culture. "This new center will give the institution's 25 million annual visitors an understanding of the great cultural achievements of the peoples and civilizations of Africa, the Near East and Asia," Reagan said in a statement.

NEWARK, New Jersey (R) — The striking crew of a Greek-owned tanker off the Delaware coast have been removed from their ship and will be flown home at the shipowner's expense, U.S. officials said Thursday. A spokesman for the Immigration and Naturalization Service said the 24 seamen were removed from the tanker *Ypsomed* on Tuesday night, ending a labor dispute that left the vessel, carrying crude oil, immobilized for five weeks. The seamen, from India, Pakistan, Greece, Tanzania and Portugal, will be flown to their native countries, he said. The strike was in support of wage demands.

WASHINGTON, (R) — The United States Thursday conducted an underground nuclear test at its Nevada test site, the Energy Department announced. It said the explosion, the eighth this year, had a yield range of 20 to 150 kilotons, equivalent to 20,000 to 150,000 tons of TNT.

GLASGOW, Scotland (AFP) — Britain's opposition Labor Party Thursday recovered from a string of by-election defeats when it easily held on to its parliamentary seat in the Glasgow suburb of Coatbridge and Airdrie. Labor candidate Tom Clarke polled 19,208 votes to win the by-election by 10,090 votes over the Conservative Party runner-up.

TOCSA, Spain (AFP) — A Basque industrialist's wife kidnapped here on June 12 was released early Friday, fired but well, near her home.

### Five of jury defend verdict on Hinckley

WASHINGTON, June 25 (R) — Five members of a jury that found 27-year-old John Hinckley not guilty by reason of insanity in the shooting of President Ronald Reagan said their verdict would have been the same even if Reagan had been killed.

The five appeared Thursday voluntarily before a Senate Judiciary Subcommittee considering possible reforms in the law regarding legal insanity as a defense. The hearings were called in response to a public furor over the Hinckley verdict.

Asked if their verdict last Monday would have been different had the president been killed instead of only wounded, the five jurors one by one answered "no." Maryland Copelin told the senators that if she and the other jurors had been given the option of finding Hinckley guilty but mentally ill, the verdict would have been different. "We all knew he was guilty of what he did, but we had that mental problem to deal with," she said.

The other four jurors told the committee they believed Hinckley suffered from some form of mental disturbance or problem. Only Nathalia Brown said she had argued in the jury room that Hinckley, 27, should be convicted for the shooting of Reagan and three other men on March 30 last year.

"I believe he had some mental disorder but not to the degree that he did not know what was going on," she said. Miss Brown, who has been quoted in press reports as saying she felt pressured into making her decision that Hinckley should be found not guilty, told the committee she was coming forward to clarify her position.

"I wasn't pressured by the other jurors. They are entitled to their opinions just as I am mine," she said. But, Miss Brown added, the pressure of the lengthy trial, the seclusion of the jury deliberations and the burden of weighing technical evidence was extreme.

"The media say we were wrong and they lay this in our lap. They don't know what it means to be a juror on a case like this," Miss Brown said.

### FBI to toughen spying

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP) — FBI Director William H. Webster hinted Thursday the FBI may get more aggressive in spying on potential terrorist groups in the United States.

But he said there is little likelihood increased surveillance would provide the FBI with advance information on individuals like presidential assailant John W. Hinckley Jr.

"I don't think we can or should or are able" to keep track of individuals like Hinckley, said Webster. He described Hinckley as "a young, record-free, migrant-type of individual roaming around the country" without any close ties to terrorist organizations.

Testifying before a Senate Judiciary Subcommittee, Webster noted there was evidence Hinckley had contacts with the American Nazi Party. But he said Hinckley's ties were of such "a low-level" that even the leaders of "the fringe group" were not sure

he ever attended any meetings.

The FBI director said the bureau may propose changing guidelines on domestic spying to strengthen law enforcement's and in dealing with groups that pose a potential violent threat to the nation.

He said "the drafts I've seen" of proposed changes in the 1976 guidelines would "bring domestic security into line with other activities" of the FBI such as investigating organized crime. Sen. John P. East, Republican-North Carolina suggested that the 6-year-old guidelines, adopted at a time of intense concern that the FBI and CIA are abusing individual rights, may have hampered intelligence gathering.

"I think you'll be pretty much pleased" with the proposed changes, Webster replied. But he added that no envisioned modifications would jeopardize constitutional rights.

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**Eradicating hunger****WFC to evolve ways on forming food bank**

ACAPULCO, June 25 (R) — A United Nations conference on eradication of world hunger has ended by recommending further steps to create a grain reserve for feeding poor countries.

Thirty-six national delegations endorsed the conference's final conclusions Thursday asking U.N. World Food Council (WFC) officials to evolve ways of building reserves to feed poor countries in times of grain shortages.

The conclusions, reached during an unbroken 12-hour meeting here Wednesday, were approved Thursday at an open session attended by more than two dozen agriculture ministers representing rich and poor countries, senior WFC official Alain Vidalinaque said.

The accord included a recommendation to the Rome-based WFC staff to study the

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**Ex-Im Bank guarantees loan in yen**

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP) — The U.S. government's Export-Import Bank announced Thursday that it is making its first guarantee of a loan in Japanese yen, for the purchase of two Boeing-737 jets by Royal Air Maroc, the Moroccan government's airline.

The loan will be for the equivalent in yen of \$25.2 million. Ann Frey, a press officer at the bank, said it would probably carry interest at 9.2 percent for 10 years, though the Japanese bank that will actually lead the money has not yet been specified and the details of the deal remain to be worked out.

Royal Air Maroc will also make a cash payment of \$5.8 million and borrow another \$7.7 million without a guarantee from Ex-Im. An agreement went into effect May 15 between Ex-Im and the Japanese ministry of finance, permitting the American Bank to guarantee loans in yen. Yen loans are popular, since Japanese interest rates are much lower than those in the United States and other leading industrial countries. Ex-Im has made preliminary commitments on another dozen loans in yen, which are still to be completed.

In speeches since the conference opened on Monday, the U.S., Canada and Australia, which control nearly three-quarters of world grain trade, urged the gathering to weigh the alternative of supplying grain in separate programs to different nations.

In apparent recognition of the grain-exporting nations' request for specific supply programs, the conclusions said the WFC should analyse the link between grain storage needs and different countries' food policies and balance-of-payments deficits.

**Turkish financial crisis ends**

ANKARA, June 25 (R) — The crisis in the Turkish financial system following the collapse of the country's largest money-broker and securities house, Kastelli, is now over, Deputy Prime Minister Turgut Ozal has said.

The crisis touched off panic withdrawals and caused a cash shortage in several private banks. The government moved to restore confidence by guaranteeing the firm's outstanding bonds.

Ozal told a press conference Thursday that

the central bank had made available around six to seven billion Turkish lira (\$35 to \$43 million) to three or four private banks that had demanded fresh funds. He declined to name them, but said the banks were no longer asking for help.

The government authorized the central bank on Tuesday to assist commercial banks facing cash shortages caused by the reimbursement of Kastelli bonds and certificates of deposit. Ozal said around 220,000 people had claims on Kastelli.

He said an investigation was continuing into the affairs of Kastelli, which had issued bonds and certificates amounting to around 100 billion Turkish lira (\$625 million), according to preliminary estimates.

Amhet Demizer, director-general of Hisarbank, one of the banks whose certificates of deposit were circulated by Kastelli, told Reuters his bank had received around 300 million lira (\$1.9 million) credit from the central bank because of a shortage caused by the reimbursement of bonds and certificates to investors.

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This will be the first time the company has used these reserves, which are deposited in around 150 international banks at an average maturity of three months.

Calderon said the oil industry is not expected to make a profit this year and the \$3.5 billion investment program will have to be met from reserves.

Calderon said oil export income is now estimated at \$16.3 billion as against \$19 billion in 1981, on the basis of exports averaging 1.42 million barrels per day. The oil industry is not now expected to make a profit, but will receive a special allocation of around \$1.6 billion.

Fiscal oil revenues will be down \$3 billion on the budgeted \$14.2 billion, to be covered

by already announced government spending cuts.

lack of evidence of illegality is cited by the central bank as one reason why it could not take control earlier.

Legally the authorities may appoint bank commissioners only in cases of bankruptcy, illegality, or on request. The most dramatic intention was in the 1974 collapse of the banking empire of Michele Sindona, Italy's biggest post-war financial scandal. Some observers have been quick to draw parallels.

"But a fundamental difference between Ambrosiano and the collapse of Sindona's Banca Privata Italiana in 1974 is simply that Ambrosiano is not, repeat not, insolvent, and there has been no finding of illegality in its management," one central bank official commented.

Calvi's conviction last July with 10 associates, involved illegal deals through subsidiaries of Ambrosiano. But it did not involve the bank itself, although the Italian fiscal authorities have since said they are seeking 54 billion lire (\$39 million) in damages from it for the offences.

The secrecy with which Calvi handled the bank's business, and the lack of any clear-cut reason for intervention, has left the authorities strangely uncertain in their handling of the affair, banking sources say.

**Focus on Vatican's role****Ambrosiano affair kicks up lot of dust**

(continued from page 1)

opere de Religione (IOR), was Ambrosiano's second largest shareholder, although its stake was less than two percent.

Vatican officials, maintaining a centuries-old tradition of reticence on financial dealings, have declined all comment on IOR's relations with Ambrosiano.

In particular the Vatican press office has given no reply to requests for comment on allegations in the Milan financial weekly *Il Mondo* that IOR triggered a crisis at Ambrosiano that led to the board's resignation and the appointment of official commissioners last week.

*Il Mondo* said the crisis blew up after IOR refused to accept responsibility for loans made by Ambrosiano's Latin American subsidiaries to Panamanian holding companies on the strength of letters of patronage issued by the Vatican Bank.

While Rome magistrates are investigating Calvi's flight from Italy, the Bank of Italy has started a detailed scrutiny of Banco Ambrosiano's accounts. Central Bank officials say the examination of complex transactions involving overseas subsidiaries could take at least a year to complete.

Inspections in 1978 raised question marks against several aspects of the group's operations but found no illegalities, they said. The

ROME, June 25 (R) — The strange death of Italian banker Roberto Calvi, found hanging from a London bridge, has triggered a wave of conspiracy theories, confusion in Italy's monetary authorities and embarrassed silence in the Vatican.

Calvi, 62, a secretive and influential figure, headed Italy's leading private-sector bank group despite a conviction for illegally exporting capital. He disappeared two weeks ago.

Last Friday his body was found hanging beneath London's Blackfriars Bridge over the Thames. In his pockets were stones, money and papers, but nothing to show how he came there or why.

London police say they are treating it as suicide — he made an unsuccessful attempt during his trial last July. But Italian press speculation over his death has also suggested murder by the Mafia or by a shadowy secret society, the outlawed P2 Masonic Lodge of which he was said to have been a member.

Most attention has focussed on the role of the Vatican in Calvi's bank, the Banco Ambrosiano, and its overseas operations, which the Italian central bank was probing in the days before his disappearance.

Information published for the first time in May showed the Vatican Bank, Istituto Per Le

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*Arab news* Economy*Strikes loom, large*

## U.K. faces wave of labor unrest

LONDON, June 25 (AP) — After wrapping up a walk against Argentina across 8,000 miles (12,800 km) of ocean in 12 weeks, Britain was buffeted by doorstep militancy from workers, railwaymen and miners.

Voice grievances over pay and economy cutbacks, union chiefs commanding nearly 1.5 million workers threatened nationwide strikes against state-run British Rail, the National Health Service and the coal industry.

London's 237-mile (381-km) subway system crippled all week by a strike over reduced services, which means fewer jobs and less pay, appeared set for a total stoppage from next Monday.

The loss of most London underground trains caused office workers to arrive up to three hours late via over-burdened buses and streets clogged with cars.

At the headquarters of the National Coal Board, Arthur Scargill, the leftist military newly elected president of the 250,000-member Coalminers Union, walked out of his first meeting with new board chairman Norman Siddle after three minutes. Scargill said miners will strike if the board does not make public its list of 30 pits scheduled for closure. The board said no such list exists.

### BRIEFS

NEW YORK (R) — Costa Rica hopes to negotiate an agreement with the International Monetary Fund by the end of the summer. President Luis Alberto Monge has said. In a speech to the council of the Americas, Monge said an IMF mission has been in Costa Rica for three weeks examining the economic stabilization program introduced since he came into power seven weeks ago.

CLEVELAND (R) — A Standard Oil Co. (SOHIO) spokesman said the company raised the price it charges for crude oil from Alaska's north slope on June 1. However, he declined to provide details. He said the oil is sold under negotiated contracts, so the price is a subject of negotiation. SOHIO is 53 percent owned by British Petroleum.

OTTAWA (R) — Canada's seasonally adjusted index of industrial production or gross domestic product by industry fell 0.4 percent in April to 124.0, base 1971, after a downwards revised 1.3 percent fall in March, Statistics Canada said. The March decline originally was reported as 1.7 percent.

LONDON (AFP) — The Chartered Bank subsidiary of Britain's Standard Chartered Bank has won approval from the People's Bank of China to open a representative office in Peking on July 1, the bank has announced here. The Chartered Bank has maintained a continuous presence in Communist China since 1958. It has a branch in Shanghai and a liaison office in Guangzhou, southern China, near Hong Kong.

THE HAGUE (R) — The Dutch current account balance of payments on a transactional basis showed a provisional seasonally adjusted surplus of 3.6 billion guilders in the first 1982 quarter the finance ministry said.

## Protest rally rocks Italy

ROME, June 25 (R) — Thousands of workers from all over Italy converged on the center of Rome Friday at the start of Italy's biggest labor rally for more than 10 years.

Police said busloads of demonstrators started to arrive before dawn and union sources said at least 300,000 were expected to join the show of opposition to employers and the government.

Millions more were expected down tools in an eight hour general strike called by the unions to protest against government austerity plans and a private employers' decision to end the automatic rise of industrial wages in line with inflation. In Rome, three columns of marchers banging drums and blowing whistles blocked city street from early morning.

## Lebanon economy in ruins

BEIRUT, June 25 (AFP) — Beirut, once the banking capital of the Middle East, is today witness to the military destruction of its economy — but there are some hopes that a banking boom will rise Phoenix-like from the ruins.

Some bankers here believe that if the Israeli invasion results in political stability after seven years of strife, enormous amounts of Arab and foreign capital will flood in — though others wonder if one can talk of the future Lebanon because they fear economic colonisation by Israel.

Uncertainty hangs over the economy, while the isolated western sector of the capital is being throttled.

The airport and dock have been closed for nearly three weeks, and there is not prospect of an early resumption of traffic. Meanwhile, the road network has been severely disrupted.

Consequently the price of food in and around Beirut has risen by between 30 and 50 percent. In some areas petrol is in short supply, electricity is severely rationed and there are communication difficulties.

They argue that the Israeli-Lebanese security pact sought by Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin is seen in Israeli eyes as indicating economic — or at least commercial — cooperation.

Siddall told reporters that closures of loss-making pits are discussed with local union chapters and don't require national talks. Scargill told 200 cheering miners who had been cleared from the building by police: "The era of behind-doors negotiations is over — there is now a new era of open negotiations."

Scargill's walkout was called "hardly constructive" by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher speaking in the House of Commons.

She also said the national rail strike called for Monday by the National Union of Railmen could "bleed the railways of financial resources" and cost jobs.

Sir Peter Parker, chairman of British Rail, mailed an appeal to his NUR employees saying: "The strike is madness" and urging them to go to work. Sid Weighell, NUR general secretary, said he would "go anywhere between now and Monday" for talks to avoid the strike. He revealed he had written to miners' leaders in every coalfield asking them to strike for one or two days next week "as a gesture of solidarity."

Weighell called the strike when the rail board offered what he described as a "derisory" five-percent increase. His union wants a "substantial" increase on basic rates of 65 to 104 pounds (\$13 to 182 dollars) a week.

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## Egypt issues warning to alien airlines

CARO, June 25 (R) — The chairman of the Egyptian Civil Aviation Organization has warned foreign airlines they would be liable to legal action if they sold tickets in Egypt in foreign currencies.

The airlines Wednesday suspended sales in Egyptian pounds to foreigners, promotional fares in Egyptian pounds and cargo charge collection facilities in Egyptian currency.

They said they had been unable to transfer their balances held in Egypt into their own currencies. In a statement Thursday issued by the official Middle East News Agency (MENA), civil aviation chief Yehia Shennawi said selling air tickets here in foreign currency was a violation of Egypt's currency laws, and legal action would be taken to stop it.

Shennawi said the economy ministry had earmarked \$10 million a month for airlines to transfer their funds abroad from July 1, MENA reported. The airlines say a backlog of 109 million Egyptian pounds (about \$131 million) has built up in their accounts here so far this year.

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The committee of the ministers of Algeria, Indonesia, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela was formed in March to monitor the success of an agreement by OPEC (the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) to use output curbs to defend prices through the recent glut.

Western oil industry sources say the market has revived little and total OPEC output is now slightly above the effective ceiling of 17.5 million barrels daily imposed in March.

Even those banks which have moved into east Beirut can only wait until Lebanese traders resume the import-export business at which they excel.

In 10 days the Lebanese currency has lost 9 percent of its value against the dollar. In seven years, the pound's value has fallen 50 percent.

Kassarwini, who is the managing director of one of Beirut's biggest banks, is confident about the future arguing that the end of the war will mark the end of the last economic crisis for a long time.

In common with many other businessmen and financiers, he said he expected a "boom" and an inflow of capital.

More pessimistic officials say the great unknown is Israel and the price it might want to extract from Lebanon.

They argue that the Israeli-Lebanese security pact sought by Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin is seen in Israeli eyes as indicating economic — or at least commercial — cooperation.

## OPEC panel set to view position

NAIROBI, June 25 (AFP) — Kenya, Zambia and Mali have been chosen by the European Economic Community (EEC) as pilot areas in a large-scale program to counter world hunger.

Ministers of the community have approved proposals to support these countries' "food strategies" to promote rural development and food production and to improve food security on a long term basis according to a statement released by EEC delegation in Nairobi.

The schemes are part of a 2,000 million shillings (\$200 million) EEC program aimed at fighting hunger throughout the world. The program includes emergency aid for refugees, support for food policies, action to save fuel woods, halt desertification, improve village water supplies and protect

## Gold drops

## Dollar records hefty gains

LONDON, June 25 (R) — The U.S. dollar scaled new heights against other major currencies Friday on the foreign exchange markets still uncertain about how high it will go before the central banks take a concerted action to bring it down.

Dealers said they saw little or no direct market intervention by central banks to suppress the dollar's continuing strength, which has caused severe economic problems for other industrial countries and mainly due to the firmness of high interest rates.

In Frankfurt, the dollar rose to 2,4907 West German marks from Thursday's 2,4655, close to an 11-month high.

It also neared a nine-month high of 2,1230 francs in Zurich, hit another all-time high of 6,9225 French francs in Paris before being fixed at 6,9015, and in Tokyo pushed ahead to 257.15, within sight of the peak reached in April 1978.

In London, the pound sterling hovered above a five-year low at \$1.7220, amid worries over the economic effects of a potentially-crippling nationwide rail strike due to start Monday.

## Soviets said using forced labor

FRANKFURT, June 25 (AP) — The Soviets force about 100,000 persons, at least 10,000 of them prison inmates, to help build the controversial Siberian natural gas pipeline to Western Europe, the Frankfurt-based International Society for Human Rights said Friday.

In a giant gas for hard currency deal, vigorously opposed by President Ronald Reagan, the Soviet plan to complete the 3,000 mile pipeline next year despite a Washington-ordered embargo on American-designed equipment for the project.

"Along the construction sites many new centers with forced labor camps sprung up in the past two years," a society statement said. "In Ust Ishim alone one of these centers is made up of eight camps," it added. Others are near Surgut, Tavda, Tyumen, Irbit and Lysva, the statement said.

In the camps, prisoners are accommodated livestock.

European leaders believe that the provision of short-term relief to meet urgent needs must be combined with long-term plans to help developing countries to produce enough food to meet their own needs.

The "food strategy" approach, which has been advocated for several years by the United Nations World Food Council, aims to improve coordination between national operations and external aid.

In the present EEC budget, 1,000 million shillings (\$100 million) is being allocated to assist farmers under this scheme.

One of the aims is to increase the incentive to small-scale farmers to grow more food so that adequate reserves can be stored during good harvests to provide insurance against droughts and other problems.

## Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 2:00 p.m. Thursday		Close	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	9.13	9.11	
Bangladesh Taka	15.70	15.70	
Belgian Franc (1,000)	73.00		
Canadian Dollar	269.00		
Deutsche Mark (100)	140.00	139.40	
Dutch Guilder (100)	127.00	126.40	
Egyptian Pound	3.35	3.34	
Emirates Dirham (100)	93.56	93.50	
French Franc (100)	50.75	50.30	
Greek Drachma (1,000)	52.50	49.50	
Indian Rupee (100)	10.00	9.95	
Iranian Rial (100)	35.95		
Iraqi Dinar	25.20	24.90	
Japanese Yen (10,000)	13.60		
Jordanian Dinar	9.90	9.65	
Kuwaiti Dinar	11.97	11.92	
Lebanese Lira (100)	68.25	65.45	
Moroccan Dirham (100)	56.00	55.90	
Pakistani Rupee (100)	41.10	40.44	
Pound Sterling	6.00	5.96	
Omani Rial (100)	94.40	94.35	
Singapore Dollar (100)	158.80		
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	30.95		
Swiss Franc (100)	164.50	163.00	
Syrian Lira (100)	59.25	59.73	
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*As it rains homers*

# Tigers maul Orioles to snap losing streak

NEW YORK, June 25 (AP) — Larry Herndon, Kirk Gibson and Lou Whitaker each homered to help the Detroit Tigers snap a 10-game losing streak Thursday night by defeating the Baltimore Orioles 7-1.

Jerry Udjur and Dave Tobik combined on an eight-hitter for the Tigers. Udjur, 1-2,



Gary Roenicke... gets the lone run

## Keen competition in AGSRA

By a Staff Writer

DHAHRAN, June 25 — The battle for top honors in the Byoiniyah Group of the Arabian Gulf Squash Rackets Association (AGSRA) Summer Squash League is keen with three teams maintaining a clean slate.

Kano and King Wilkinson both share the top spot with 25 points with Rezayat third, trailing by three points. All three teams have exhibited excellent techniques so far in the league. Though the three teams have gone through their first three matches with ease, Rezayat have logged three points less. Fancl Gomads, who have lost one match, are two points behind Rezayat with a two-win, one-loss record.

Competition is also keen in the Agrabiyyah Group. Saudi British Bank, at present, enjoy the top berth in the group after winning all

permitted only two. Gomads beyond first base in his 72-3 innings' work as he made his fourth start since being recalled from Evansville of the American Association.

Herndon connected for his 14th homer to launch a three-run uprising in the second inning off Scott McGregor, 8-5, and Gibson with his eighth home run in the sixth. Whitaker hit a solo shot in the ninth. The Orioles scored an unearned run in the eighth on Gary Roenicke's two-out single. Tobik relieved Udjur at that point.

Also in the American League, Mike Hargrave's RBI single broke a 2-2 tie in the eighth inning, starting the Cleveland Indians to a 5-2 victory over the New York Yankees. The loss ended left-hander Ron Guidry's six-game winning streak.

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Rezayat, meanwhile, have things much their way in the Subaiyah Group. Being the only team with a clean record, Dhafran holds a commanding four-point lead over second-placed Ballast Nedam, who have lost a tie, BAC Al-Rhouda and Lockheed, both with two-win, one-loss record, are jointly third with 17 points.

The AGSRA Summer League is made up of 26 teams competing in three groups. Each group contains a mixture of teams from each of the three divisions of the Winter League. This gives the Second and Third Division teams an opportunity to gain experience by playing along with the First Division teams.

### Positions

Byoiniyah Group		P	W	L	Pts
Kano	3	3	0	25	25
King Wilkinson	3	3	0	25	25
Rezayat	3	3	0	22	22
Gomads	3	2	1	20	20
Sweatians	3	1	2	11	11
Watkins	3	1	2	11	11
Rugby Club	3	1	2	10	10
Saudi Base	3	1	2	9	9
AMEC	3	0	3	1	3
Dhafran North	3	0	3	1	3
Sobaiyah Group	3	3	0	22	22
Ballast Nedam	3	2	1	19	19

BAC Al-Rhouda		P	W	L	Pts
Lockheed	3	2	1	17	17
Dresser Atlas	3	1	2	12	12
Al Zahra	3	1	2	10	10
Western Geophysical	3	1	2	8	8
Mitsubishi	3	0	3	2	2

Saudi British Bank		P	W	L	Pts
Rezayat	3	3	0	25	25
SGCB/Dobie	3	2	0	16	16
Saudi Tel/Cement	3	2	0	16	16
Zamil Zouk	3	1	2	9	9
Ras Tanura-11	3	1	2	4	4
Saudi Holland Bank	3	0	3	4	4
BAC mixed	3	0	3	4	4

## Imran's declaration raises eyebrows

LONDON, June 25 (AP) — Pakistan served notice at Lord's that they intend to play all out for victory in their five County games before they meet England.

Their enterprising declaration against Middlesex at 31 for one — 113 behind — took the umpires by surprise. They stayed on the field mystified when the two batsmen Mushtaq Nazar and Majid Khan walked off.

It was then Middlesex's turn to be shocked, by the hostility of the Pakistan captain, Imran Khan who in 31 deliveries took the first four wickets for five runs as the County ended the day at 31 for four.

The Pakistan innings lasted only twelve overs, and in that time they scored 31 for the loss of Mehsin Khan, bowled round his legs by left-arm seamer Kevin James.

Earlier, Middlesex lost five first innings wickets for 70 in the 80 minutes possible before tea. The one defiant innings was

played by Wilf Slack, but he was an early victim to Imran at the second attempt when he was caught in the slips trying to protect his throat from a lifter. Middlesex finished the day with a lead of 143.

### Zafar Ali excels

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, June 25 — A splendid all-round performance by Zafar Ali helped SPCC score a fluent win over ACC in a friendly cricket match at Umtali last weekend.

Zafar Ali scored a sparkling 101 in his side's total of 188 in 40 overs and then helped SPCC skittle ACC for 94 with two for four. Shoa Haider with 4 for 26 played a prominent part in the attack.

Brief scores: SPCC 188 (Zafar Ali 101, Z. Wasim 39, Javed 25; Ramaswamy 5 for 60) vs ACC 94 (Kumar 16, Patel 22, Patil 15; Shoa Haider 4 for 26, Zafar Ali 2 for 4).

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Allan Wells...not at his best

## Wells hits out at Board after an easy double

LONDON, June 25 (AFP) — Scotland's Olympic champion Allan Wells, who made his first track appearance of the season at Leicester Wednesday night, came out with a double win and then hit out at the British Athletics Board.

The 30-year-old sprinter had not raced for nine months and was not at his best but he still won the 100 meters in 10.71 secs and then followed up by taking the 200 meters in 20.9 — finishing five meters clear of his rivals.

The Board has recently criticised Wells for not being available for last week's match against East Germany and the Scot commented: "It's always been my policy to help the Board, and the criticism hurts. I've done them a few good turns in the past. All I want to do is get back to brass tacks. And that means getting the best performances on the track."

Wells will now run for Britain in both sprints against Sweden in Karlsbad on July 3-4.

### Coe pulls out

Meanwhile, Sebastian Coe's shin injury has forced him out of Britain's team and must call into doubt his clash with Steve Ovett at Crystal Palace here on July 17.

There is still a doubt whether Ovett himself will be ready for that meeting. He has been out of action for eight months after rupturing a thigh muscle and made his first track appearance in heats of the Southern Counties Championship only last Saturday at Crystal Palace.

With a world-class field being assembled for the Crystal Palace 3000 meters, neither runner will want to compete below-peaks condition. The three-race series moves to Nice (800m) on August 14 and then to Oregon in the United States (mile) on Sep-

tember 18.

With Coe out of the 800 meters new British hope Steve Cram has been asked to fill his place for the Scandinavia trip.

The American Athletics team to face an all-Africa side and West Germany in a triangular match in Durban this weekend will be practically a second team.

Only sprint and long jump star Carl Lewis stands out among the Americans, although they should still be strong enough to win. Of the 36 winners in last week's United States Championships at Knoxville, Tennessee, 25 have preferred to go to Europe.

Nigeria's Innocent Eghunike and Ghana's Ernest Obeng should push Lewis below the 10.11 sec he achieved at Knoxville while Sudan's Hassan El-Kashief should challenge Tony Darden over 400.

African victories should come in the distance events with Kenya's Mike Boit running at 1,500 meters and Olympic Silver medalist Suliman Nyamhui and Ethiopia's tiny world cross country champion Mohamed Kadir, who paced fellow countryman Miruts Yifter to his double Olympic triumph in Moscow, taking the honors over 5,000 and 10,000 meters.

## Rose, Roebuck rally Somerset

LONDON, June 25 (R) — Gloucestershire's new fast bowler Franklin Stevenson of Barhamwood made a memorable debut in the English County Championship Thursday.

Playing against Somerset, Stevenson captured the wicket of West Indian star Viv Richards for only 12 runs and sent back Jeremy Lloyds for good measure.

Somerset though recovered through Peter Roebuck (30) and skipper Brian Rose (45), who declared the innings closed at 200 for eight after 71.1 overs, Richards redeemed his batting failure with a haul of three for 26 in 13 overs as Gloucester replied with 104 for three.

In another day hit by bad weather former England skipper Ray Illingworth, captaining Yorkshire on his return to County cricket, continued to play a key role. Down to bat at eleven Illingworth, 50, declared the Yorkshire innings closed at 152 for eight and did not bowl in the Essex innings as they replied with 84 for one.

Surrey had Lancashire in trouble at the Oval after making a bold declaration at 128 for five. G. Clinton's 40 not out was the main booster of Surrey's total as Lancashire struggled to 78 for five wickets after 30 overs.

M. Nicholas' breezy 128 not out, his championship best and J. Rice's brisk 60-enabled Hampshire declare at 202 for two wickets. But Sussex could not match the fluency of the Hampshire batsmen against an accurate Marshall. Sussex declared at 106 for six as the Hants finished the day at eight for one in their second venture at Basingstoke. Marshall took four for 42.

Glamorgan made a spirited opening against Worcestershire at Cardiff. Alan Jones, with a bright 53, enabled Glamorgan end the day with 86 for one, chasing the Worcestershire's first innings total of 217.

At Northampton, Warwickshire and the home County were involved in two early declaration with Warwickshire setting the tone by declaring its first innings at 41 for two in 15.5 overs. The Northants, after taking a slender first innings lead, declared its innings at 65 for two in 15 overs. R. Williams with an unbeaten 44 shone for Northamptonshire. A quick 41 by veteran Dennis Amis saw Warwickshire total 96 for three at the close.

Rain washed out play between Leicestershire and Kent at Leicester.

## Hans Weiner's late goal takes Stings past Timbers

PORTLAND, Oregon, June 25 (AP) — Hans Weiner's goal in the second overtime period gave Chicago a 2-1 North American Soccer League victory Wednesday night over the Portland Timbers. The game was scoreless until Portland's Ron Fletcher of England logged a goal at 65 minutes with assists from England's John Pratt and Dave Bennett.

Portland played one man short after Fletcher was ejected from the game at 87:34. The Stings scored at 89:21 when Portland defender blocked a pass onto the foot of Arno Steffenhagen of Germany, giving him a straight shot for the point. Weiner scored the winning goal at 100:45. The outcome before 8,455 fans improved the Stings to 4-11 and dropped the Timbers to 6-10. Portland hosts Toronto on Saturday.

Meanwhile, Jacksonville's Ricardo Alonso of Argentina scored on a header early in the second half and goalkeeper Peter Simonini recorded his third shutout in five games as the Tea Men blanked the Edmonton Drillers 1-0 in another NASL action.

The triumph before 7,682 fans at the Gator Bowl boosted Jacksonville's record to 7-10. Edmonton, losing for the eighth straight time, fell to 5-11. The two teams played through a scoreless first half as the Tea Men had the only serious threat in the first.

Alonso's all-important goal came at 45:47 when teammate Archie Gemmill crossed into middle of the goalmouth following a free kick and the 6-foot-3 (1.9 m) Alonso headed the ball into the right hand corner of the net.

It was Alonso's 14th goal of the season.



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# W. Germans, Austrians make mockery of World Cup match

GIEN, June 25 (AP) — Horst Hrubesch's header gave West Germany a 1-0 victory over Austria on Friday, a result which clinched World Cup phase-two berths for both teams as jeering spectators shouted "Fix."

The result ousted newcomer Algeria from the World Cup on goal difference, and prompted angry fans to jeer, burn West German flags and attempt to storm the field. The crowd became suspicious when the Group Two game slowed down after the goal, letting stand a result so convenient for both sides.

The West German victory by one goal allowed both teams to advance, while a high-scoring West German victory would have eliminated Austria in favor of Algeria. If Austria had defeated or drawn with West Germany, Algeria would have been in and the Germans out.

After Hrubesch netted his goal off a cross from Pierre Littbarski in the 11th minute, both sides appeared content to maneuver the ball in midfield. The crowd, which included hundreds of flag-waving Algerians, became increasingly impatient, waving white handkerchiefs in disgust while chanting "Algeria, Algeria," and "stop the game." Fans burned West German flags on stadium terraces.

The two-time Cup winning West Germans certainly seemed content with a one-goal advantage when they took out their two best forwards in the second half—Hrubesch and captain Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, who has scored more goals than any other player in the World Cup finals.

"If there wasn't an agreement to fix the match, it's clear both are satisfied with this result," he added.

With 25 minutes remaining, incensed spectators began pouring out of the Molinon Stadium, and police with dogs rushed to stop a group of Algerian fans from running onto the pitch.

At the goal both sides played vigorously, attacking soccer with West Germany, the current European champions, dominating the pace. The confident Germans established their authority right away, keeping Austrian goalkeeper Friedl Koncilia busy with a series of thrilling shots on goal even though Rummenigge was marked well by Austrian Midfielder Heribert Weber.

West Germany, with all the early possession, went ahead in the 11th minute through big, blond center-forward Horst Hrubesch. Hans-Peter Briegel won the ball midway into the Austrian half and slipped a pass to Pierre Littbarski on the left with the Austrian defenders appealing in vain for off-side. Littbarski floated in a cross which Hrubesch headed home.

In the next three minutes the West Germans came desperately close to increasing their lead. First Austrian goalkeeper Friedl Koncilia saved bravely as Wolfgang Dremmler charged into the penalty area and then Paul Breitner, lurking on the right of the box, blasted over the crossbar.

Breitner had come close in only the second minute when he headed a cross from Feliz Magath on to the top of the net.

Austria, who mounted only sporadic attacks, felt aggrieved when Walter Schachner, their only front runner, was tackled robustly by Briegel in the 18th minute.

West Germany: Toni Schumacher, Manfred Kalz, Uli Stielike, Karl-Heinz Forster, Hans-Peter Briegel, Wolfgang Dremmler, Paul Breitner, Felix Magath, Pierre Littbarski, Horst Hrubesch, Karl Heinz Rummenigge.

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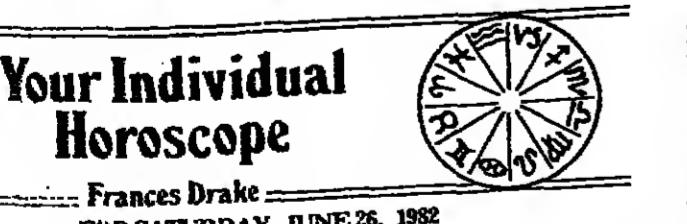
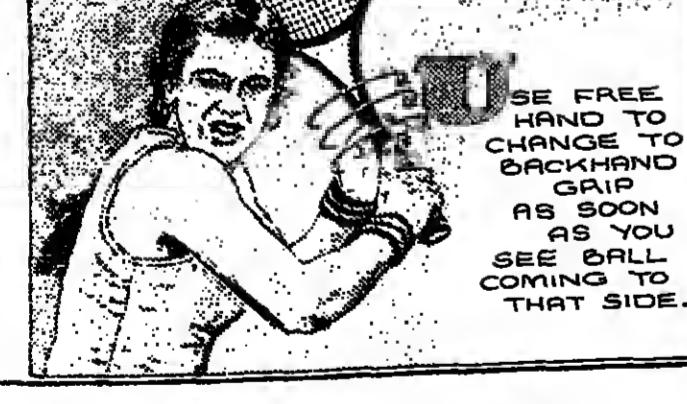
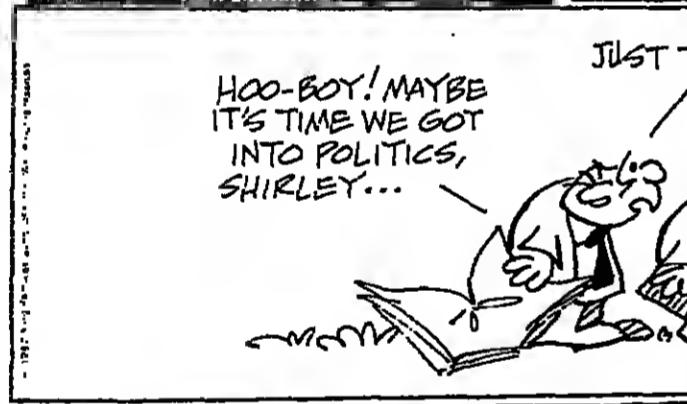
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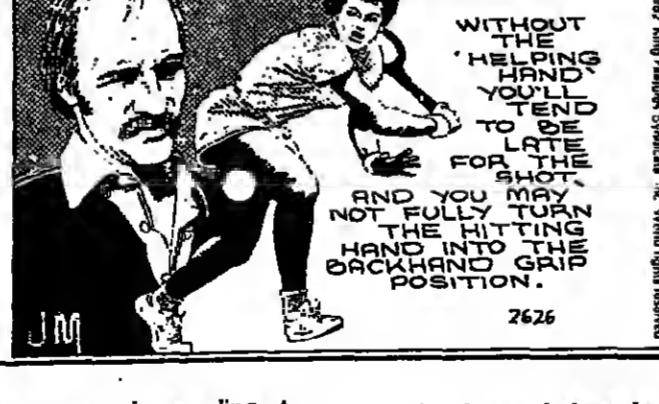
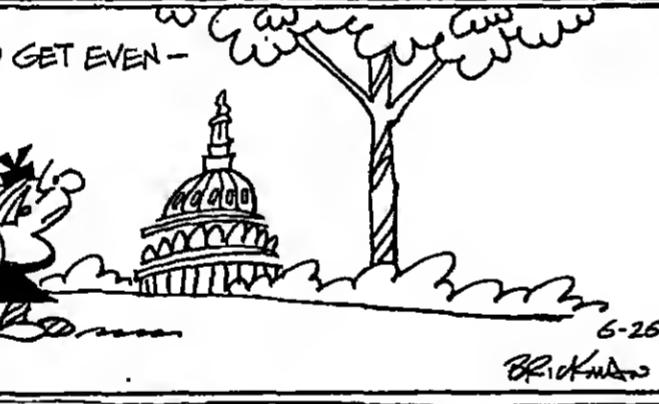
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**Taurus** Apr. 20 to May 20 ♂ Be careful not to lose or squander something of value. You'll make real progress on a favorite work project, so don't let enthusiasm wane.

**GEMINI** May 21 to June 21 ♊ Shopping by mail is favored, but otherwise you'll need to



exercise care in spending. A loved one is quite unpredictable now.

**VIRGO** Aug. 23 to Sept. 22 ♍ It's best to put business concerns aside now. The results you want aren't easily obtainable. Buy something nice for yourself.

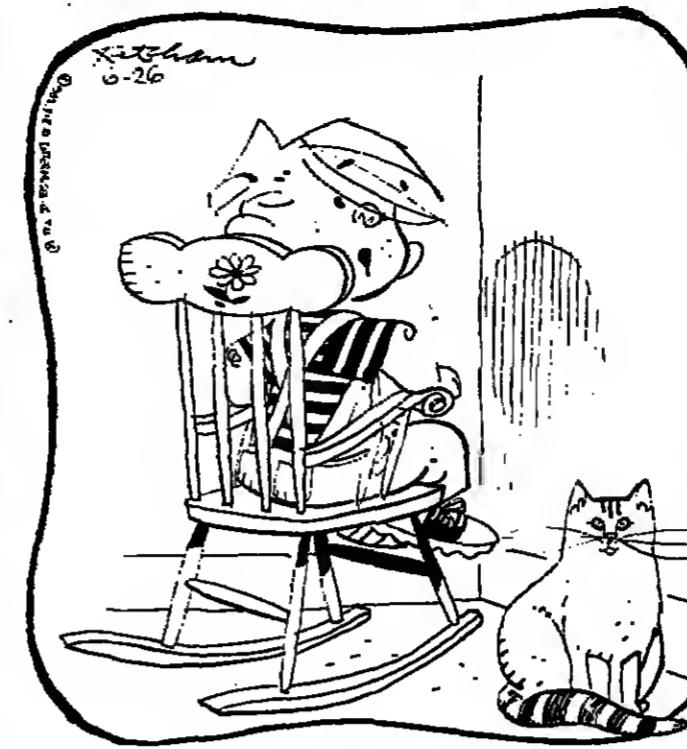
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by THOMAS JOSEPH

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14 Barbecue rod	6 Nevada city
15 Numero —	7 Game point
16 Even if	8 Soared over
17 Spanish queen	9 Some
18 Shakespearean heroine	10 Enchanted
20 Hibernia	11 —
21 TV Tarzan	12 Flautist
22 Gypsy devil	13 Dye
23 Work with oils	14 Puff up
26 Stay clear of	15 Mother, to Bardot
27 A Lindbergh	16 Coloration
28 — volatile	17 Horse opera
29 Falling-out	18 Pickpocket
30 River in S.C.	19 Dem's opponent
34 "— of Me" (1931 song)	20 Mariners
35 Lambkin's cry	21 —
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International

## Bignone to restore democratic rule in Argentina by '84

Buenos Aires, June 25 (R) — Argentine political leaders said Friday that President-designate Reynaldo Bignone personally promised them that democracy would return to the country in 1984 and that a ban on political activity would be lifted immediately after his inauguration on July 1. They said Maj. Gen. Bignone made the pledge at a meeting with representatives of 13 of the country's parties, which ended shortly before midnight Thursday night.

It was the first direct contact between the Argentine military leadership and politicians since the overthrow of María Estela Perón in 1976 and brought favorable reactions from some politicians. "I believe we are finally heading for democracy," Radical Party leader Carlos Conin told reporters.

Gen. Bignone had invited the political leaders for talks at the Congress Palace after they demanded a precise timetable for a return to democratic rule. Gen. Bignone, who was appointed to replace Gen. Leopoldo Galtieri ousted after Argentina's defeat in the Falklands (Malvinas) war, outlined an economic program designed to boost industrial production, they added.

Only the tiny Popular Conservative Party refused to attend the meeting, saying the party split in the junta over the selection of Gen. Bignone was an insult to the country. The navy and the air force did not endorse the nomination of Gen. Bignone, who was appointed by the army as it assumed sole political control of the country on Tuesday.

The armed forces' inability to reach an agreement during four days of talks had been severely criticized by the civilian opposition. The country's five major parties, grouped in the so-called Multiparty Commission, had issued a strongly worded statement on Wednesday.

### Trickster bags gold with 'checks'

PERTH, Australia, June 25 (R) — A confidence trickster has swindled the Perth mint in Western Australia out of gold bullion worth (\$663,000) in an elaborate scheme during which he was never seen, police said Friday.

They said the thief, who had several accomplices, used four security firms and an employment agency. He was also believed to have spent several weeks establishing his name with the Perth mint.

The mint and the police have released few details of the theft, biggest ever in western Australia, but several of those unwittingly involved have phoned local newspapers to explain what happened.

The trickster established a bogus company and office and equipped it with a secretary hired from an employment agency. On Tuesday false checks were delivered to the mint and used to buy the gold which was delivered to the office by three different security firms. There it was guarded by a man from a fourth firm.

Later a courier, again hired through an employment agency, took the boxes containing the gold, which he had been told was tractor parts, to a local airport used by light planes, and the boxes have not been seen since. The mint did not discover the checks were false until that night.

### Dust stalls plane

JAKARTA, June 25 (R) — All four engines on a British Airways jumbo jet became clogged with volcanic dust in midair Thursday night and the plane dropped 24,000 feet before it regained power, an airline spokesman said Friday.

The spokesman said the Boeing 747, carrying 355 passengers, made an emergency landing here on three engines. None of those on board was hurt. The airliner was over West Java on a flight from Kuala Lumpur to Perth, Australia, when it flew into a thick cloud of dust and dropped from 35,000 feet to 11,000 feet. It landed safely at Jakarta's Halim International Airport an hour after going into the cloud.

The dust had been thrown out by Galunggung volcano 180 kilometers southeast of here, which has been erupting periodically since early April and has taken a toll of at least 30 lives. The airline spokesman said the passengers were being flown to Perth later Friday on another flight.

### W. German runs amok, guns down 3, kills self

NUERNBERG, West Germany June 25 (AP) — A man armed with three pistols ran amok, killing three persons and wounding three others before he shot himself dead, police said Friday.

Police said the unidentified man entered a hotel late Thursday, pulled a pistol from his pocket and began to fire at patrons. Two men in his immediate vicinity were killed, police said. The man then dashed to the street and fled at passers-by killing one man, wounding two men and a woman, police said.

When police arrived, the gunman opened fire again but was hit by a police bullet. He aimed one of three pistols police later found on him at his chest and killed himself with two shots near the heart, police said. Police were still investigating the identity of the victims.

Wednesday saying the critical situation of the country after the South Atlantic war would allow no delay in a return to democracy and the formulation of a new economic policy.

Contin said after Thursday's meeting that Gen. Bignone showed he was fully aware of Argentina's political situation. The vice president of the Peronist Party, Deolindo Bittel, said Gen. Bignone had described the economic situation as grave and was aware that thousands of workers did not earn satisfactory wages.

"I think that hints at the possibility of an economic policy diametrically opposed to that currently in force," Bittel said. The country's political parties blame the monetarist policies imposed after the 1976 coup for the present cycle of deep recession, unemployment, three-digit inflation and high external debt.

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### Acid rains poison lakes

STOCKHOLM, June 25 (R) — "Acid rain" threatens to produce a future in which water will be undrinkable, forests will wither and lakes will be poisoned, according to 100 scientists from 20 countries. The findings of the experts, who ended a four-day conference Thursday, will be put to environment ministers and officials from 33 countries when they meet here next Monday.

Acid rain is produced when sulphur dioxide and nitrogen oxides from factories burning fossil fuels are converted in the air to sulphuric and nitric acids. The rain may fall many miles from the industrial sources of air pollution, acidifying land and ground water and making lakes uninhabitable for fish and small animals.

Already around 4,000 of Sweden's 85,000 larger lakes have "died" because of acid rain, according to Swedish scientists. The experts said if more than 0.5 grams of sulphur fell in the rain per square meter of land, then lakes were endangered.

At present 3.5 grams per square meter fall over southern Sweden, blown from the factories of Britain, Poland and East and West Germany, they said. Sulphur emissions from Western Europe were disturbingly high although not increasing as industrial nations, especially France, turned from fossil fuels to nuclear power.

But air pollution was rising in Eastern Europe, the experts added. They made no recommendations for the ministers' conference but outlined technical options for limiting emissions.

### Cosmonauts set for orbit docking

MOSCOW, June 25 (R) — Two Soviet cosmonauts who have spent two months in space prepared Friday to welcome some visitors from earth — a Frenchman and two other Russians.

The three visitors, whose Soyuz T-6 craft was launched from the Baikonur space center Thursday night, were due to join up with the orbiting research station Salyut 7 and spend a week on board carrying out a packed program of experiments seen by Paris as justifying the mission.

Jean-Loup Chretien and his Soviet colleagues Vladimir Dzhanibekov and Alexander Ivanchenkov reported all was well on their craft after it went into orbit 10 minutes after blast off. But the launch, televised live on a Soviet and French television, included some nervous moments for Col. Chretien.

After the white, blue and red rocket was shown lifting gracefully off the pad, cameras on board revealed him glancing worriedly at his companions. Col. Dzhanibekov, commander of the flight, reported "some slight vibrations" a few seconds later, but then said everything was fine.

Officials at mission control, just outside Moscow said the craft would dock with Salyut 7 late Friday night. Col. Chretien is the 16th foreigner to be put into space by the Soviet Union, but all his predecessors on the "international" program were from Communist states allied to Moscow.

His flight, which marks the first East-West space venture since a Soviet-American orbital link in 1975, was nearly called off by France earlier this year in reaction to the military crackdown in Poland.

The Socialist government in Paris agreed it could continue if Moscow played down the political aspects of the mission and treated it as an exercise in scientific cooperation.

Paris has described the planned experiments, to be carried out with French equipment, as highly important. They include the most comprehensive monitoring to date of the reaction of human organisms to weightlessness and photography of some areas of space that cannot be observed from earth.

Col. Chretien uttered the slogan of the French Republic "Liberty, Equality and Fraternity," shortly before lift-off and said it was sewn onto his space suit. The 43-year-old cosmonaut is also carrying a model of the Eiffel Tower.



WAR VICTIM: A Palestinian girl, one of the hundreds of victims of the attack by Israeli soldiers on civilian homes in Sidon recently, recuperates in hospital after her legs were amputated. The child lost both legs in the Israeli bombing.

## American bombs cause death and destruction

By Anne Whitehouse  
London Bureau

LONDON — A harrowing picture of the situation in South Lebanon was revealed here Thursday by the first emergency relief representative to return to Lebanon since the Israeli invasion.

Oxfam's Middle East field director, Chris Dammers, described the "widespread and immense suffering" which the Israelis, armed with American bombs, have inflicted on innocent civilians and bore witness to the callous indifference of the occupying army to attempts by international relief agencies to reduce the suffering. His first-hand experience frequently contradicted claims made by the Israelis that they have made great sacrifices to avoid civilian casualties, and that Israeli medical aid has been plentiful and efficient.

At a press conference in London, Oxfam's director-general, Brian Walken, completely rejected Israel's claim that relief should only be channeled through its own army. "No international aid organization worthy of its name would channel its aid through the army of one of the participants in the conflict," he said.

The worst devastation and suffering was in the Palestinian refugee camps in South Lebanon, where the populations had been widely dispersed, said Dammers. At Sidon, the Ain el Helwe refugee camp, with a population of 60,000 was largely deserted last week and the camp was utterly destroyed. "At least 90 percent of the houses were only fit for bulldozers," he commented.

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